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Dad's fears over 'killer fox'

by Harry Walton

A WORRIED father fears that a killer fox which slaughtered his chickens may also pose a threat to his six-year-old daughter.

Steve Chalk started keeping chickens two years ago at his home in Lyndhurst Road, Weymouth.

But the killings have forced him to turn his chicken coop into a fortress for his six remaining birds.

Steve said: "We had no trouble for 18 months. Then the fox came calling.

"It killed all four chickens we had at the time, taking one away and burying the other three in the run.

"We bought some more and carefully locked them away at night, but the fox has come back three times and tried to get at them each time.

"I am not too worried about the chickens, but I am very worried about what threat the fox might pose to Amia because the chickens are her pets and she is out here a lot."

He added that it was barely a fortnight since a fox attacked two babies in London and his concerns stemmed from that, especially as the Weymouth fox was a proven killer."

Steve said: "Foxes have very sharp teeth and if Amia accidentally cornered it you never know what might happen.

"I don't think late in the day will be a problem but first thing in the morning, when the fox might still be about, then I am going to keep an eye out that Amia is all right."

Amia said she was sad that the fox had killed their chickens and added: "I love the chickens. They are my favourites. I hope the fox doesn't get them."

Mr Chalk's fears were increased when a fox bit a child at a playgroup in Brighton this week.

Local photographer Idris Martin recently had a fox visit his garden just yards away from where the chickens were killed.

He said: "I went out to take a photograph and it was completely fearless. It came right up to see what was happening.

"Several pets have been attacked in the area and the fox has got to be favourite."



■ UTTERLY FEARLESS A fox photographed near where four chickens were killed.



■ FAVOURITE PETS: Steve Chalk with his daughter, Amia, and some of their chickens.
Photos by IDRIS MARTIN

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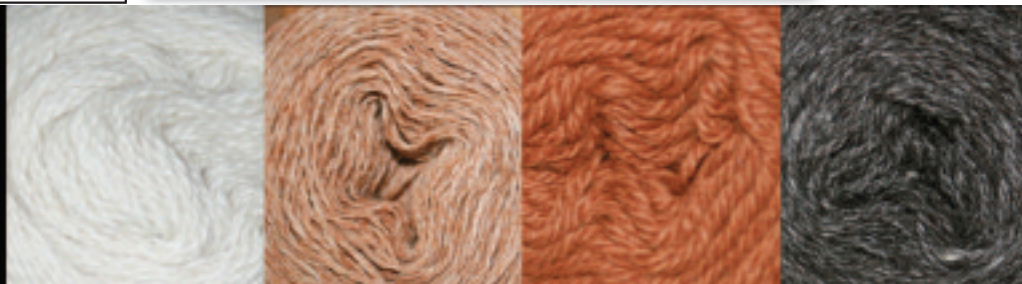
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PROUD Welshman Jim Thomas is a key part in the community having taught at The Woodroffe School in Lyme Regis for over three decades.

He has also been a part of several sporting teams in the town as well as volunteering for the RNLI for a number of years.

Mr Thomas is happy to be living in an area, which he says has "stunning scenery and wonderful people" where he can live out his passion of teaching geography and enjoying the benefits of living by the sea.

■ HOW long have you been working at The Woodroffe School for?

I arrived down here on a one year temporary post in 1975 to teach geography and I'm still here. So, 35-years later and I'm still at The Woodroffe School.

■ WHAT kind of things have you done during your 35 years at the school?

As I progressed I was able to move up professionally. I was firstly in charge on geology and introduced this subject to the timetable. After that I became head of geography. I then became head of faculty, which was geography, history and business studies. When the faculty system was abandoned, I wrote the timetable for a year, but I really wasn't very keen on that. After that, I became Head of Sixth Form and an assistant head, for the last five years.

■ If you could change one thing about the school, what would it be?

I would like for there to be more room. And I would love to have the swimming pool back. I miss the swimming pool, it was great for the summertime, and was very important for the students to keep fit. Although I understand the economic issues that came with it.

■ WHAT is your favourite thing about Lyme?

My favourite thing about Lyme I think is the people, in both Lyme and Uplyme. All the people I have worked with, met, and all past and present students who work in the restaurants or in the shops and pubs, are all so pleased to see me. I always feel very blessed that this is the situation.

■ How long were you volunteering for the RNLI?

I spent 21 years in the RNLI on the lifeboat. I joined in 1980 because I've always loved the sea. I wanted to volunteer and put something in to the community. I've spent the past few years as senior helm.



■ WHAT would you say were the best and worst things about being in the RNLI?

I loved the comradeship and the adrenaline buzz I got from attending shouts. My favourite thing without a doubt had to be the training. Challenging myself in rough sea conditions had to be one part I really enjoyed. The worst thing, undoubtedly was the search for lost people or even people that had drowned. I still see the people that we had picked up after they had been in the sea for two or three weeks, particularly then reporting back to their relations. That really had to be the hardest thing.

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■ DO you have any interesting stories from your time with the RNLI?

Probably the scariest one was a while back. We were called really early on a calm summer morning and there was a really heavy mist with a visibility of about five metres. We had a shout to look for a boat that had been lost of the coast of Seatown. Then we saw an object, which we thought was a person floating in the water, but turned out to be a Mickey Mouse balloon caught up on a log. So it was case of your heart thumping away and feeling quite scared when actually it was only a balloon there, so it was funny at the same time.

■ IF you could invite three people to a dinner party, who would they be?

Definitely Nelson Mandela, I think he's wonderful and I have great respect for him and he would be terrific to talk to. I would also have to have Gareth Edwards there, they would probably get along, and he is a great Welsh scrum half who has always been one of my heroes. Finally, Jenny Agutter from The Railway Children and Walkabout.

If you were stranded on a desert island what three things would you take with you?

Definitely some sort of music system as I just love music. I would like to take my ear plugs because I spend a lot of time in the water sailing and swimming so I get terrible earache where my ears get blocked up and I can't hear the music. And the last thing would have to be a supply of red wine and if I could bring something else I would bring good quality Welsh bitter as I do like my pint and a glass of wine.

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'Small increase' in traffic delays

by Harry Walton

SIGNAL alterations are helping traffic to flow more easily in a road badly hit by congestion caused by work for Weymouth Transport Package.

Traffic on Lanehouse Rocks Road increased by 75 per cent once junction work started at Harbour Roundabout.

First day diversions caused heavy congestion so Dorset County Council has altered traffic signals at Lanehouse which has improved traffic flows.

The authority said there was now only "a small in-

crease" in the delay that vehicles would have usually experienced before the works started.

County project manager David Diaz said: "Although most drivers are now using the suggested diversion of Lanehouse Rocks Road - Chickerell Road, some drivers are choosing to ignore the access only right hand turn into Lynch Road which is increasing the congestion on Lanehouse Rocks Road and adding to the journey

time.

"We have changed the signals on the Lynch Road junction at Fiveways to keep traffic waiting longer to try and dissuade people from rat-running along the road.

"With all diversions, we have to rely on drivers following the advised route and not rat-running on local roads which affects other members of the community."

Residents are furious at Lynch Road's traffic prob-

lems and have even threatened to withhold council tax payments in protest.

Mr Diaz warned drivers: "If people continue to ignore the diversions, the only options left are severe actions that also impact upon the residents whose concerns we are trying to address."

Weyline Taxis manager John Sapsford said: "The council approached the taxi companies before work started and we told them the measures we thought would help traffic during the junction works.

"Hope Square is two-way. With Weymouth's roads you can't do much more.

"People have to understand that they are going to have to live with the disruption in order to benefit from the long-term improvements."

The county council said that, following concerns from local businesses and residents, drivers approaching Hope Square from the Town Bridge were being advised it was access only and that traffic for Portland, Chapelhay

and Rodwell is signed towards Boot Hill.

The authority said it might be taking people longer than usual to get into Weymouth from the Portland direction but other routes in to the town used by visitors and residents were unaffected by the current works.

Weymouth Transport Package is a series of permanent measures to tackle some of the town's long-standing public transport and general traffic problems.

Garden tools found

POLICE are trying to identify a bag of tools found in the Wyke Regis area of Weymouth.

The tools consist of orange handled secateurs and other garden tools in a blue cloth bag and an orange JCB petrol strimmer.

Anyone with information should contact PC Angela Mills on 01305-222222.

Students' mural unveiled at sailing academy

Colour and movement transforms room says MP

A MURAL made by art and design students has been unveiled at Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy.

The brief for the young art experts from Budmouth Technology College in Weymouth was to design a mural showing the dynamism, energy and speed of water sports.

College art and design course leader Peter Beard said: "I think they have done an excellent job because it is very hard to capture this choice of subject."

Weymouth and Portland Mayor Paul Kimber attended the unveiling and said: "It is a wonderful mural. My mother was an artist from the Newlyn arts circle so I can really appreciate what the students have done. They are to be congratulated."

College principal David Akers said: "It is a fantastic piece of artwork which reflects the whole outlook of the Olympics. The students put a lot of hard work into this over a long period of time and it will be a true legacy of their efforts."

The artwork was accepted on behalf of the Academy by its business manager Chris Knight who said: "We are just blown away by this mural for the café wall.

"It has helped us to create a totally different atmosphere in the busiest room in the building and is a credit to Budmouth's students."

South Dorset MP Richard Drax praised the mural and said: "I think it is fantastic. It has movement, it has colour and it transforms the room."



SETTING SAIL: Students and guests at the official unveiling of the mural.

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■ Marianne (centre) being presented with a bouquet and cake from members of Magna's Community Connections residents' group.

Director's role for Marianne

MAGNA Housing Association's resident involvement manager, Marianne Fendle, has become a director of the Tenant Participation Advisory Service (TPAS).

Marianne, who has been with Magna for three years, was appointed to the voluntary role at the end of May. She joins a board of 10 directors and will be its south west representative.

Formed in 1988, TPAS England is the leading national tenant participation organisation working to promote tenant empowerment.

It acts as a hub between government, social housing landlords and

tenants. It gives members access to information and research, on-site involvement support and training, opportunities to share knowledge with key sector professionals and the chance to shape future government housing policy.

For the past two years, Marianne has been working with residents to reshape the way involvement is carried out at Magna. This means using the skills, knowledge and commitment that residents bring with them.

Magna is supporting Marianne to carry out the TPAS role alongside her 'day' job, seeing it as an opportunity for her to build on her knowl-

edge of resident involvement. This involves working closely with tenants, leaseholders, board members and staff to encourage residents to get more involved in Magna's services.

Marianne, who has been involved in housing since 1997, said: "I believe we are a better organisation when we listen to our residents."

"So I am delighted to have been appointed to the TPAS board as a landlord representative. Being on the board will give me lots of insight and knowledge about how resident involvement works from a TPAS point of view."

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Improving the quality of life for Weymouth residents

NEARLY £100,000 was invested to improve the borough's quality of life during a successful year for Weymouth and Portland Partnership.

Chairman Peter Mankin said in the group's annual report that more than 100 local organizations and public bodies now support the Partnership.

He added: "We need to ensure the voice of Weymouth and Portland is heard and listened to in county and regional planning forums and that we make fullest use of external funding opportunities that will continue to arise.

"Making sure our plans and priorities meet the community's needs will be paramount and engaging effectively with local people and local

communities will be a top priority for action."

He said the Partnership funded 26 projects over the last year totalling almost £100,000 and that successful funding bidders included carnival workshops, creative writing classes, open studios and a business start-up.

Mr Mankin added: "The 2012 Olympics and Paralympics in particular have provided an enormous spur to investment and improvement which will continue over the next two years.

"Huge challenges, however remain. In a period of economic recovery and very tight - even shrinking - public finances, partners must continue to do even better at working together, to find resources and ever more creative ways of delivering improvements."

The Weymouth & Portland Partnership works through eight focus groups, each responsible for one particular sector such as Dr. Jon Orrell's climate change challenge group which has led moves to make the public better aware of low energy light-bulbs, better insulation and domestic solar energy.

Funding Weymouth Waterside Community Forum's "zig-zag mat" project was vital to establish a new exercise programme for residents, providing state-of-the-art wireless dance mats.

Mr Mankin also said that a permanent landmark at the crest of the Ridgeway on the new Weymouth Relief Road is one of the ideas for public art which are currently under discussion.

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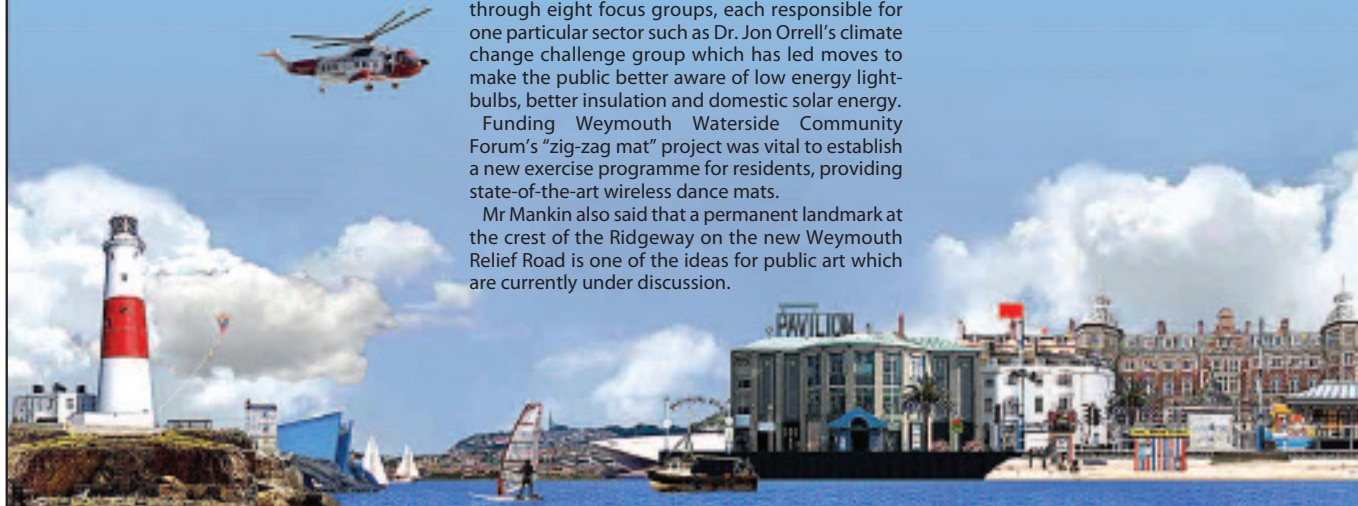
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Midnight walkers

MORE women are being encouraged to sign up for the fourth annual Weldmar Hospicecare Trust Midnight Walk.

The event attracts nearly 1,000 women including a number of walkers who choose to specifically walk in memory of a loved one.

The event along Weymouth seafront will take place at midnight on Saturday, August 21st, and registration costs £16.

Participants receive an information pack, tee shirt, a set of flashing bunny ears and a medal.

The entry fee covers the cost of organising the event but it's the sponsorship raised by walkers that Weldmar says will really make a difference to its patients and their families.

Volunteers for registration and marshalling are still needed while walkers seeking to register should contact Sue Leighton on 01305 215315 or book on line at www.weld-hospice.org.uk/midnightwalk.

Lifeboat week

A SERVICE in the Cove marks the start of Weymouth Lifeboat Week which runs from July 25th-31st.

The annual fundraising event will then have a barbecue on July 26th at the Nothe with many family attractions while there will also be a major lifeboat display with the vessel and the coastguard helicopter.

On July 27th there will be general collections, while the lifeboat will put on a display at Bowleaze Cove on July 28th before a barbecue is held at Weymouth Sailing Club on July 29th.

The lifeboat station will be open to the public on July 31st when it also stages the grand draw.

Apartments unfinished

WEYMOUTH has been left with an expensive eyesore after a developer building luxury apartments went into administration owing millions of pounds.

Laishley Developments, responsible for the unfinished Hutton Apartments at Greenhill, cited cash flow problems and the poor economic situation for its closure.

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In memory of ships past at Portland

A SEAT has been unveiled to mark various ships being based at Portland after the Second World

War. Rear Admiral John Croydon performed a dedication ceremony for the seat which is sited on Wey-

mouth's Rodwell Trail overlooking Portland Harbour. The seat was a mark of

remembrance for His Majesty's Ships Anson, Howe, King George V, Nelson, Vanguard and Victorious of the Training Battleship Squadron, Home Fleet, which were based in Portland after the war.

Friends of Rodwell Trail chairman Bernard Franklin welcomed ceremony guests who included Portland Royal Naval Association branch chairman Alex Oswald and Weymouth RNA chairman Carl Robertson-World.

Rear Admiral Croydon then gave a short talk on his experiences at Portland before unveiling the seat.

The economics of the post-war period began to bite in 1946 and so it became necessary to restrict the larger capital ships to home water exercises and the Training Battleship Squadron Home Fleet was started in January 1946 at Portland with HMS Nelson.

Between 1946 and 1950 the squadron was reinforced in June 1946 with HMS Anson followed by HMS Howe in July 1946.

HMS Nelson was replaced in September 1947 with the aircraft carrier



■ IN TRIBUTE: Rear Admiral John Croydon unveils the seat.

HMS Victorious and in November 1947 HMS King George V, the famous battleship instrumental in the sinking of the Bismarck and sister-ship of HMS Howe and HMS Anson, joined and

remained in the squadron until September 1949.

Finally in July 1949 HMS Vanguard came to Portland to replace HMS Anson which left in November 1949.

After HMS Vanguard left

and the "big ships" had gone into the Reserve Fleet the word 'battleship' was dropped and the squadron became known as the Portland Training Squadron of the Home Fleet.

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Growing team matches increased port activity

PORTLAND Harbour Authority will be sending senior team members to high-level industry and environmental events over the next three months.

The port has also recently added to its commercial and environmental teams, employing two new staff members from the region.

Two members of staff went to Athens for Posidonia 2010, the world's largest sea and nautical Expo.

Their work there will develop the Port's connections with some of the biggest shipping contractors in the world, allowing Port representatives to outline why the harbour is such an attractive choice for international shipping companies that 9,000 passengers will come through the port this year.

Portland Harbour Authority and South Dorset tourism will be promoted at the Atlantic Alliance meeting on July 1 which Port commercial manager Ian McQuade is attending.

The alliance is a working initiative of prime European cruise destination leaders who meet regularly to discuss cruise options and bespoke packages that will appeal best to tour operators.

The Port's environmental team is also preparing for Finding Sanctuary, the first of four regional projects for England and Wales tasked with recommending to the

Government in June 2011 specific Marine Conservation Zones (MCZs) around the South West.

To meet the Port's busy schedule, the two new recruits – Emma Perrin and Hayley Clark have been selected to assist the commercial and environmental teams - working closely with Ian and Sandie.

Ian McQuade said: "2010 is a busy year for Portland Harbour Authority. We're welcoming a five-fold increase in European cruise passengers, taking a key role at shipping and environmental events and bringing high-level expertise back to Portland to keep our policies and services connected to the latest industry trends. We're growing the team to match this activity and have hired local talent who will help us achieve our goals."

New leisure pass scheme

A NEW leisure pass scheme is to be considered for Weymouth and Portland.

Members of the policy development committee were told that the existing scheme did not meet equality requirements.

They agreed to continue with the current scheme while looking to produce a new one which they could then consider for adoption.

Weymouth and Portland Mayor Councillor

Paul Kimber said he supported continuing with the existing licence scheme because he believed it was something which benefited the borough.

The leisure pass scheme, which includes passes for Weymouth Swimming Pool, generated 3,000 passes at its peak.

But the meeting was told that since 2005 the scheme had fallen into disuse with only 212 passes issued since 2006.

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Keeping plight of endangered species permanently in view

by Harry Walton

A CRITICALLY endangered Mountain Bongo antelope from Kenya is to be carved in stone and kept on show at Royal Manor Arts College, Portland.

The creation of the carving has strong links with the MEMO Project to build a monument on the island in Portland stone with carvings depicting extinct species.

The project is also concerned to increase awareness of biodiversity which can assist conservation efforts to rescue species at risk such as the Bongo.

Project director Sebastain Brooke said: "We now have the go ahead from the Weymouth and Portland Partnership for a three week residency in Royal Manor to run before the end of the summer term."

"As part of the residency acclaimed local sculptor Joanna Szuwalska will be carving the image of the beautiful Mountain Bongo which is now critically endangered on the slopes of Mount Kenya."

"This beautiful antelope is well known to local primary school children through the songs and stories written about it by local teacher John Horrell who has played such an important part in the development of "twinning" relationships between schools in Weymouth and Portland and schools in the Mount Kenya World Heritage Site."

"A fun-run at Royal Manor Arts College as part of the MEMO Project Festival on International Biodiversity Day saw Portland school children raise more than



MEMO architectural advisor David Adjaye and MEMO project director Sebastain Brooke on Portland.

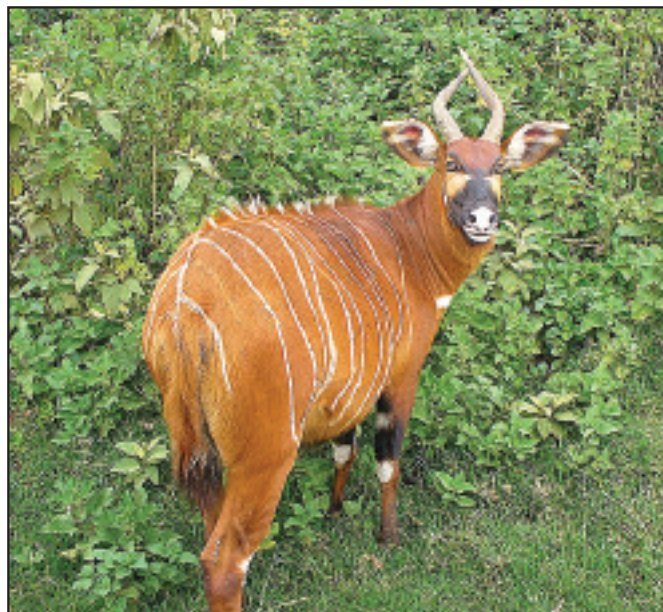
£200 to support the efforts of the Mount Kenya Wildlife Conservancy to reintroduce captive bongos back into the wild later this year.

"When completed the carving will stay in the grounds at Royal Manor. The idea is to keep the beauty but also the plight of species like the bongo permanently in view."

Internationally famous architect David Adjaye is advising Mr Brooke and both attended the Project Festival to discuss MEMO proposals and hear the comments of local residents and other interested people.

Concerns about the rapid loss of biodiversity worldwide are growing to the extent that many see it as the most serious threat facing the planet.

Royal Society president Martin Rees said: "We are destroying the book of life before we read it."



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Chance to 'Meet the Elizabethans'

A TOUR of Weymouth's Sandsfoot Castle led by Sir Francis Drake is on offer at a Tudor picnic in Sandsfoot Gardens on July 4th.

The "Meet the Elizabethans" event runs from 11am-4pm and follows the huge success of last year's Tudor picnic.

There'll be plenty of fun activities showing off Elizabethan life for all the family to enjoy with displays, demonstrations of Elizabethan cookery, music, weaving, dancing, archery and musketry as well as 16th century combat taking place just outside the castle.

Children can try out traditional skittles, the Tudor King's Game or simply relax and listen to story telling provided by Weymouth Library. There is even a Mummers play to keep everyone enthralled.

Event organiser and Friend of Rodwell Trail David Carter said: "To celebrate the 500th anniversary of Henry VIII's coronation, the friends hosted a Tudor Picnic last year to raise awareness of Sandsfoot Castle.

"We were staggered by the hundreds of local residents who turned up to experience an afternoon of Tudor life.

"This year we're inviting people to Meet the Elizabethans which will include a tour around the castle with Sir Francis Drake as well as lots of fun activities that guarantee to keep the entire family entertained all day long."

All the activities provided are completely free, refreshments will be available from Sandsfoot Café or people can simply bring along a picnic.

The event is part of Weymouth and Portland's Spirit of the Sea maritime festival which runs from July 3rd-16th.

Residents asked for their views on how to deal with rubbish

by Harry Walton

RESIDENTS of Weymouth's Park district are being invited to discuss clean street issues with the council.

The authority is looking to address littering concerns in Weymouth and Portland by holding a series of focus groups with residents.

The scheme will be piloted with residents in the Melcombe Regis ward.

It is hoped that by discussing ideas, looking at problems and working together, solutions can be found to reduce fly tipping and littering.

Park district residents frequently report issues with seagulls tearing open refuse bags because the wheeled bin service which has been implemented across the rest of the

borough is not suitable for many of the narrow streets of this area.

The council's waste management teams are eager to work with residents in order to find a solution.

If successful, the focus groups will also be rolled out across other wards where clean streets issues have been raised.

Environment spokesman Councillor Brendan Webster said: "It is a priority for the council to ensure that the borough's streets are clean and residents are satisfied.

"Our waste and recycling teams work hard to provide an excellent

service, but unfortunately matters beyond our control can cause problems such as seagulls tearing refuse bags in areas where wheeled bins cannot be issued.

"The council is already looking at a number of various ways to address clean streets issues for the whole borough including the Park district and other areas where wheeled bins are not practical.

"It would be fantastic to engage with residents to discuss these ideas and hear resident's suggestions."

Any Park district resident who would like to be part of the focus groups should contact Amy Maslin on 01305 838302.

Waterside Weymouth community forum activities

WEYMOUTH'S Park Community Centre is looking for books and small prizes for its tombola.

They can be taken to the centre Monday-Thursday from 10am until noon and on Fridays from 9.30am-11.30am.

Volunteers are also asked to come forward to help with the next stall on July 4th.

The Waterside Weymouth Community Forum committee has decided to

discontinue the table tennis and card making clubs on Thursdays until September.

The new youth club has been very successful and an excellent programme of events is planned. It operates on Tuesday nights from 6-30pm-7.45pm for those aged 10-13 years and from 8pm-9.15pm for those aged 14 and over.

The club is holding a party on Tuesday, July 27th, for members only be-

fore it reaks up for the summer and reopens on Tuesday, September 7th.

The Can't Sing... Neither Can We group on Monday afternoons is going from strength to strength and with their new name, The Waterside Singers, is rehearsing hard after being invited to sing on July 4th at the Town Bridge 80th birthday celebrations.

The Forum is also discussing with Age Concern about a keep fit class to start in September.



■ Yellow-horned poppy

NATURE lovers can enjoy several events during July courtesy of the Chesil Beach Centre between Portland and Weymouth.

On July 10th there will be a guided walk to look at summer flowers at Ferrybridge including the yellow horned poppy, annual sea-blite, hare's-foot clover, sea holly and many more. The walks costs £3 for adults, £2 for children and those interested should meet at the Centre at 10am.

On July 17th there will be a chance to look for fossils at Pirates Cove as the tided falls and the Fleet's foreshore is exposed. Sea urchins are a speciality and a guide will help identify finds. The event costs £3 for adults, £2 for children, those interested should meet at Camp Road at 2pm.

On July 29th there will be a low tide walk at Ferrybridge to look at underwater life exposed at low tide. There will be sea anemones, sea squirts, crabs and much more and the group will be led by a guide. It costs £3 for adults, £2 for children and those interested should meet at the Chesil Beach Centre at 3pm.

The reserve's glass bottom boat, the Fleet Observer, is also operating and details of that and all nature events are available from the Centre on 01305-759692 or visit the website www.chesilbeach.org



■ Hare's foot clover

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Other things to look out for are changes in the way your pet sits, sensitivity to stroking or grooming, or lying on one side only. An animal that is uncomfortable may also show behavioral changes such as irritability or altered appetite. This often shows up in older cats and dogs (and rabbits) that are becoming arthritic.

If you have a sporting dog then it may have decreased performance such as knocking down jumps or weaving poles or difficulty carrying retrieved objects.

If your animal shows any of these signs

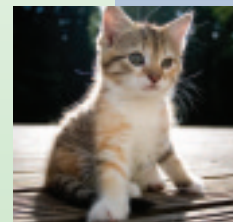
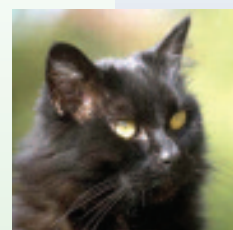
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The Chiropractic Centre is still open in East Street in Bridport. Here Evelynne treats people who have pain, stiffness, headaches, joint pain, sports injuries and many other complaints. She particularly enjoys working with babies and small children who have colic, sleeping and feeding difficulties or persistent crying where the doctor or health visitor has ruled out other causes.

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Weymouth Matters

A personal View by HARRY WALTON

No wonder she's thirsty ... it's such a hot day!

CULTURAL conversation is alive and well in Weymouth.

People enjoying a sunshine stroll along North Quay must have been delighted at this offering from a couple sat on a bench.

They appeared to be members of the street community and all was not well between them.

He opened their intellectual chat by swearing at her and making accusations that she had cost him dear by spoiling something he had been trying to do.

She responded coyly with: "Oh come on. I'm desperate for a drink!"

He then brought the open air session of the Brains Trust to a close by commenting: "Shut your ****ing gob!"

This sort of thing does happen from time to time in Weymouth, but its frequency increases during summer months when those with a challenging lifestyle seem to congregate here to take advantage of the climate and off-licences.

What did raise a smile about this unsavoury incident was the reaction of two elderly women walking by who felt it was no wonder the woman was thirsty because it was such a hot day! I refrained from pointing out that I didn't think she was asking for a glass of water.

A good time to book that holiday

WE are now in full World Cup cry with supporters wheeling case after case of beer out of supermarkets to show their massive support for England.

Booze sales are one obvious source of joy for retailers keen to cash in on anything which can turn a profit no matter how loosely connected with this football extravaganza.

But not every business has cash tills ringing and some are forced to take drastic action to attract customers.

Apparently football fans don't tend to pay too much attention to going on holiday during a World Cup.

So for travel agents to get their interest is quite a job and there can be some spectacular cuts in the price of holidays to tempt people to make a booking.

One Weymouth couple were tempted during the last World Cup and fancied a nice little getaway to Lake Garda in Italy, not least because their break was on offer for barely £200.

Then reality came crashing in on supporters' lives as England drew 0-0 with Portugal in the quarter-finals before losing 3-1 on penalties.

The couple were amused to note that the price of their Lake Garda holiday then shot up almost immediately to £400 as travel agents got their customers back!

So get your bargain now before England bow out!

Do you have space to exit that roundabout?

IT always seems that many driver errors never get punished, but one motorist I saw got his comeuppance through embarrassment if not a ticking off.

Traffic was easing on and off the Harbour Roundabout when one driver heading up Boot Hill trundled on to the junction section and suddenly realised he had no space to get off it.

That blocked every driver on North Quay – including myself – who wanted to go over the roundabout and down Newstead Road.

He seemed oblivious to the glares he was getting ... until sirens went off and a fire engine with its blue lights flashing left the fire station.

Well, I say "left" but it couldn't actually leave the fire station because all the traffic was blocked from moving forward by this motorist.

We then had to drive off the road and either on to the pavement or in to an entryway to clear a path for the fire engine which even then had to drive over and crush two traffic bollards to get through,

on to the roundabout and away up Newstead Road.

By now traffic had cleared ahead of the car which had blocked things up and he was able to go on his merry way. The rest of us hastily hacked our way over the roundabout in the wake of the fire engine before getting snarled up in the next set of roadworks.

Still, in the future I bet the blocking driver pays a bit more attention over whether he has the space to exit a roundabout.

Handbags and gladrags come at a price!

JUST two more weeks of shirty overdraft letters to go before long suffering parents can escape the prom season in Weymouth and Portland.

Several glittering events for bright young things have already been held and police have reported a commendably high success rate in talking down cash-strapped Mums and Dads from various high points round town.

Our daughter's prom beckons and I have been warned to expect extra bills for everything from hairdressing to an advert in the magazine, 16 And Loving It.

Well, I'm over 16 and my bank balance is **not** loving it, so I decided to nip any unpleasantness with my bank manager in the bud by personally visiting him to explain that I hoped the alarming outflow of cash from my account was only temporary.

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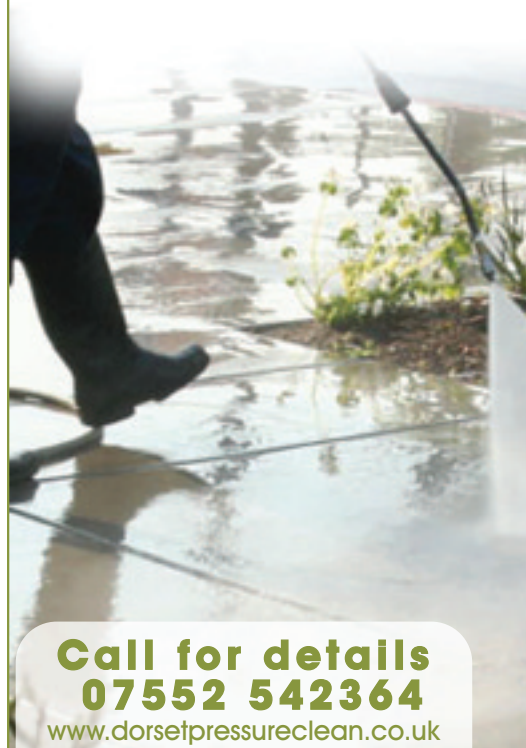
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Birthday party for Hoody



RSPB staff at Weymouth Wetlands are celebrating the birthday of an old friend.

Hoody the hooded merganser has been entertaining visitors for several years.

So a special party was held in honour of the colourful bird.

Staff also revealed that they have started an online diary or blog.

It means any nature lover, wherever they live, can get regular updates on what's going on at the reserves at Radipole Lake and Lodmoor, described as 'a paradise for wildlife and people on the edge of town'.

People can log on by going to rspb.org.uk/community and clicking on groups or via www.rspb.org.uk/radipolelake. They can join up to the forum and post their own photos and messages or ask questions.

The main RSPB bloggers are information officer Luke Phillips, assistant war-

den Nick Quintrell and reserve manager Nick Tomlinson.

Luke said: "I'm mainly chatting about the wonderful birds and other wildlife I encounter as I walk around the reserves, such as bearded tits, marsh harriers, otters, bats and rare moths as well as any unexpected visitors."

"For instance, last year glossy ibis and ruddy shelduck popped in. I'll also be telling people about events we're running and what's going on at the visitor centre and shop."

"My colleague Nick Quintrell describes some of the physical management work and what we're doing to make the reserves even more attractive for wildlife and people while Nick Tomlinson will be keeping us posted on some of the wider issues affecting Weymouth Wetlands."

Photo of Hoody the hooded merganser by EDWARD FLATTERS

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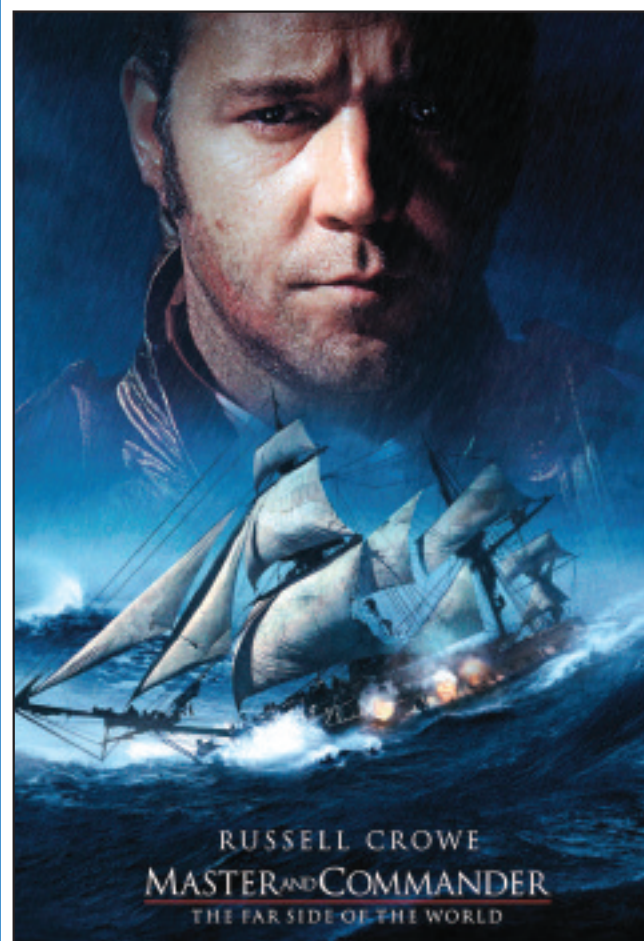
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■ "MASTER and Commander" starring Russell Crowe

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Sea themed outdoor cinema

WEYMOUTH'S first outdoor cinema screening will see "Master and Commander" with Hollywood star Russell Crowe shown at the Nothe Fort. The event on July 9th forms part of Weymouth's Spirit of the Sea maritime festival which takes place between July 3rd-16th and has been made possible through a partnership between the Fort and the Purbeck Film Festival.

PFF chairman Andrea Etherington said: "We are delighted to be taking part in this festival which celebrates the area's close

relationship with the sea. "Outdoor screenings are a great deal of fun and the atmosphere is always very exciting, particularly in such a wonderful and unique venue as the Nothe Fort."

"As a not-for-profit organisation, one of our prime objectives is to work with the local community to offer a wide range of events and also to support local community initiatives."

The night starts at 9pm in the atmospheric Parade Ground of the Fort where seating will be provided.

There will be a large cinema screen, with digital surround sound and the ticket price includes access to the ramparts as well as the Parade Ground. Refreshments will be available.

Tickets are only available on the day at the gate and cost £6 for an adult and £5 for a child with a family ticket costing £14. The film is certificate 12A.

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Pain management service improves

PAIN management services have been improved after concerns were raised during a recent NHS Dorset health question time event in Weymouth.

Amongst those who attended were Colin and Diane Smith and, although Mrs Smith was reluctant to make her own experiences of her chronic pain condition public, she felt she had to so the current situation could be highlighted.

This was welcomed by patients in a similar position who became involved in the local campaign.

During the session NHS Dorset Chief Executive, Paul Sly, invited

Mr and Mrs Smith to meet with relevant staff at NHS Dorset to look at ways to improve services to meet local needs more effectively.

Since the event, NHS Dorset has worked with Mr and Mrs Smith and other users of the services to improve understanding of their issues and to provide opportunities for them to comment formally on and agree any changes.

Colin Smith said: "We welcome NHS Dorset's response and look forward to the patients they represent seeing some tangible improvements to their treatment programmes.

Diane Smith added: "We would also like to thank everyone for their support during this campaign."

The high profile given to pain services across the county and subsequent progress made through the work of the local NHS and Mr and Mrs Smith has been welcomed by other patients of these services.

A single point of contact within NHS Dorset has been identified and can be contacted via switchboard on 01305 368900.

Alternatively anyone with concerns or queries relating to local pain clinic services should contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) on 01305-361285.



■ TONIA FISHER (left) and Janine Hodson with star travel and tourism student Louise Dixon.

Louise is best in the south west

AN 18-year-old Weymouth student is the best in the south west at a travel and tourism course.

Louise Dixon has won a triple distinction in the joint subject which she studied at Weymouth College.

Her outstanding performance has won her the regional Under-25 VQ Learner of the Year award which could see her go on to win the national title today (June 23rd) when she travels to London for a glittering awards presentation.

Louise, of Roman Road spent two years studying hard at a variety of subjects including hospitality, the

by Harry Walton

cruise industry, handling air passengers, holiday reps and world destinations.

She said: "I really love the subjects and I have also been abroad many times."

Her travels have taken her to Florida, cruising in the Caribbean, Australia and most of Europe and she is off soon to Thailand.

Her tutors heaped praise on her and Janine Hodson said: "She is amazing

and we are very proud of her. She will go a long way in life."

Tonia Fisher said: "She has given 100 per cent all the time and she deserves her success."

Louise is now looking to a future which includes going to Bournemouth University to study for a BA in Tourism Management with a view to going into hotel management.

She said: "I am fascinated by how such businesses budget their operation, how they run things and what they have to do to keep standards up."

Walking in support of whales and dolphins

WEYMOUTH Sea Life Park is urging people to take part in its Walking for Whales event on July 4th.

The five-mile sponsored walk begins at 11am and will start and finish at the park which is offering free admission to all those taking part.

It is being held in aid of the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society, the only global charity dedicated solely to the protection and conservation of whales and dolphins and their habitats.

WDCS community and events manager Peter Lewis said: "This is a fantastic opportunity for the whole family to have a great day out and help us stop the needless and cruel whale hunts at the same time."

"Please sign up and start collecting your sponsorship now and enjoy the walk on the day plus the free admission to the Weymouth Sea Life Park."

More than 30,000 whales have been killed since the international

ban on commercial whaling came into effect in 1986 and there is now pressure for that ban to be lifted which will allow even more whales to be slaughtered.

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More information is available on walkforwhales@wcds.org or walk forms can be picked up from the park.

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Hospitals pass inspection

DORSET Primary Care Trust has passed a recent inspection from the Care Quality Commission (CQC). The inspection took place on May 19th and focused on infection control and cleanliness. The CQC found no cause for concern at any of the locations that were visited.

Under the current system, CQC assessors visit NHS premises to ensure trusts continue to meet their registration standards. Dorset Primary care Trust was registered with no conditions on 1 April 2010.

The current inspection programme focuses on community hospitals and visits are unannounced so that the assessors see things from a visitor's or patient's viewpoint.

The assessors visited Blandford Community Hospital, Wareham Community Hospital, Bridport Community Hospital and Weymouth Community Hospital, where they met with a number of staff including nurses and porters.

Chief Operating Officer of Dorset Community Health Services, Tim Archer said, "We are delighted with the results of the recent inspection. Every community hospital in Dorset provides a much valued service to the local population and the outcome of this inspection is testament to the dedication and hard work of all the teams involved."

Ridgeway Festival

THE programme for the South Dorset Ridgeway Festival is now published and available from libraries, tourist information centres, and other places in South Dorset. The festival programme includes an exciting mix of open air theatre, archaeology, guided walks and tours, storytelling, film and poetry – something to choose from for the whole family. Many of the events are free.

The printed programme includes original artwork by Dorchester based artist John Walker, who has long been inspired by the Ridgeway, its features and stories. John will be leading a walk during the festival, on the July 22nd to explore one of the inspirational locations for his paintings of the South Dorset Ridgeway.

For more information visit www.southdorsetridgeway.org.uk or contact Sarah Harbige, on 01305 228241

Independent chair wanted to champion the Jurassic Coast

THE Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site partnership is seeking an outstanding individual to become its first independent chairperson.

The post-holder will act as a champion for the Dorset and East Devon coast, England's only natural World Heritage Site, which they will be helping to safeguard for future generations.

Independent of any of the organisations and groups represented in the partnership, the chair will also be tasked with promoting the values of UNESCO's World Heritage Site designation, awarded in 2001.

The site's steering group is looking for someone with experience of collaborative working at a senior level who can play a crucial role in helping the part-

nership deliver its and the UK's obligation to UNESCO.

Prospective candidates for this voluntary post should be committed to the values of World Heritage and have expertise that can help deliver the aims of the site's management plan. They should have excellent communications skills and experience of chairing multi-partner committees. Ideally, they should also have a knowledge of and passion for the Jurassic Coast.

Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site team leader, Sam Rose, said: "This is a unique opportunity for someone to play a leading role in the protection, conservation and presentation of 185 million years of the Earth's

history.

"The partnership's success is measured by its ability to deliver the aims of its management plan and the chairperson will play a key leadership and champion role in support of this."

While the post is voluntary, all appropriate expenses will be reimbursed. The closing date for applications for the role is Friday, July 30th 2010.

For more information, go to <http://www.jurassic-coast.com/chair>, or call Sam Rose, Jurassic Coast World Heritage Site team leader, on (01305) 228656 or email sam.rose@dorsetcc.gov.uk

■ SIX Dorset towns are leading the way forward in turning their footpaths, bridleways and streets into a free exercise gym with the aid of new Active Travel Maps.

The new maps cover: Bridport (including Beaminster & Lyme Regis); Dorchester; Gillingham & Shaftesbury; Sherborne; and Weymouth & Portland

These highlight the traffic free footpaths, bridleways, byways and cycle tracks, as well as quiet roads, where people can avoid traffic and get physically active by walking and cycling to and from their destinations.

The maps show: key destinations, shopping areas and schools; tourist attractions; cycle shops; links between the towns and surrounding villages; on and off-road cycle routes; the Public Rights of Way network which can be used to get out into Dorset's beautiful countryside.

The draft maps have been developed with Sherborne Transport Action Group, Western Area Transport Action Group, Westham Community Group and Transition Town Dorchester after securing funding from the Dorset Health & Wellbeing Partnership "Communities for Health"

and Dorset County Council.

The maps were launched during Bike Week 2010 and will be available free of charge in local cycle shops, tourist information centres and Council offices.

People can also pick up their free copy during Bike Week from the Travel Choice team at the following locations:

- Weymouth, Bond Street – Friday 25th June;
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Traditional Café at the heart of Bridport that caters for all

Joint business partners TJ and Shirley would like to make everyone in West Dorset aware that they are proud to regard themselves as one of the last standing 'traditional style' cafés in the area.

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TJ joined up with Shirley 7 years ago at the helm of the business with a vision to keep the retro feel of the business as close to that you would have experienced in café/diners in the 50's and 60's. They have moved with the times somewhat but feel that with more and more modern, downsized up-market outlets opening in towns



all over, it will be a shame to loose the traditional style cafe altogether.

The many large windows flood plenty of sunlight into this airy, spacious café that boasts additional features in a Juke Box, Pool Table and children's play pen. It is large enough to cater for parties of 30-40 people and often does when coaches stop in the

station opposite.

Children's parties have also been held at Café Royal as they love the kid's meals for £2 and there is a large penny sweet counter that the kids are very fond of.

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Taking the plunge

THERE are times in life when, after due consideration, a firm decision has to be made. One proverb says "Look before you leap", but another says "He who hesitates is lost".

Certainly, deciding to follow Jesus Christ is a real turning point in our lives. Counting the cost is right, but prolonged hesitation is disastrous.

One summer, a few of us at work thought it would be good to use part of our lunchtime break to swim in the sea. Standing on the beach was easy, but we had to face the cold shock before we could swim. Once we were in, the real enjoyment came.

My friend Les and I actually continued our swims that year until the first day of November. That really did require determination!

On the question of making a Christian commitment, my wife and I knew an elderly gentleman called Jim. He loved to sing the hymn "Onward Christian soldiers", but when it came to "Join our happy throng" as the hymn goes on to say; he explained his situation in the following way. He said "You are all in the river, but I am still on the bank."

Jim needed to take the plunge!

If you have a story or a photo for the View from Weymouth & Portland call Harry Walton on 01305 787843 or email hds Walton@yahoo.co.uk



■ THREE gardeners get on with the job

Getting down to work at the playgarden

NEARLY 40 residents gathered at Chapelhay Community Playgarden in Weymouth for the group's monthly workday.

Twenty lavender and other shrubs were donated by Helen of Helen's Famous Wholefoods, a crabapple was donated by local gardener Lexi and, with numerous tomato, chilli and vegetable plants grown by the group, there was a lot of work to do.

Playgarden chairman Clare Sutton

said: "It was great to have so many people turn up and help.

"We hope that the better care we take of the playgarden the more local people will want to use and take care of it and it is looking great at the moment."

Rosa, aged seven, added, "It's fun to come and play with your friends and maybe grow some plants too. We made loads of chips out of our potatoes last year."

The group gets together at the playgarden on the first Sunday of the month from 11.30am-12.30pm to do odd jobs and grow vegetables with the children under the Let's Grow! Project.

On July 4th the group will be holding its summer event, The Big Picnic, for all the family from 11.30am-1.30pm.

Enter into the Spirit of Chickerell

FAMILIES are being encouraged to go along and enjoy the second annual Spirit of Chickerell event.

It will be staged at Willowbed Hall and field off Putton Lane, Chickerell, on July 3rd.

Entry is free and family fun starts with a pet show in aid of the Dogs Trust at 11am with arena events running from 2pm after a welcome from Tony Mockridge, the retiring head of Chickerell School.

Chickerell Mayor Jean Dunseith will also be in attendance while attractions in the arena include the Amberlight Majorettes, zany Captain Stupid, a re-enactment from the Nothe Fort, a display of dog agility and live music from Six String Steve.

There will also be lots of things to see and do around the arena with all the fun of the fair and a host of stalls offering everything from bric-a-brac to books and crafts, refreshments, ice creams, ales and teas and cakes.

Grand draw tickets will also be on sale at just 20p each with the chance of the top prize of £100.

The day is being advertised using posters painted by children from Chickerell School and the event is being supported by local businesses.

Brainstorming meeting to thrash out policy

WEYMOUTH and Portland is to develop a policy to detail its guiding principles for festivals and other events.

Such a policy would help attract national and international events to the borough, ensure Olympic 2012 opportunities were maximized and contribute towards the development of specialist, sports, arts, heritage, cultural and community events.

Members of Weymouth and Portland's policy development committee agreed to hold a one-off

"brainstorming" session to thrash out policy details.

Leisure and events manager Matt Ryan said: "We are looking towards having a set policy so we can direct our resources and focus them."

There was some concern that a lot of work for a new policy wasn't really needed because Mr Ryan and his staff were already doing such a good job.

Councillor Mark Tewkesbury said: "Producing this policy will waste a lot of time. We have been doing ab-

solutely brilliantly in the borough up to now. Why reinvent the wheel? It's not broke, don't fix it."

Others felt that if a policy was needed then it should be a brief one and the meeting agreed to hold a special one-off session with Mr Ryan to discuss what he needed.

Mr Ryan said the aim would be to create a policy which would clarify for people looking to come here what Weymouth and Portland required of them to hold an event.



Six put on a good show

THE Portland Red Triangle under 11s cricket team pictured before last week's match away at Uplyme & Lyme Regis. The team, despite having only six players instead of the normal eight, put up a good show before eventually going down by 42 runs (Uplyme & LR 282, Portland RT 240).

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Living the Olympic dream

REALISING he had the potential to be a good athlete, Paul Blake became frustrated by the lack of specialist coaching available for him to progress. That wasn't any reflection on Dorchester Athletics Club where Paul had been training for a year; it was a fact that they had no experience coaching disabled athletes. In his frustration he decided to do something about it and found a race at Crystal Palace for disabled runners, and promptly registered himself for it.

He turned up on the day to find that he was the only runner for the 800 metres. Despite this the organisers still asked him to run, and he returned an excellent time of 2.19 minutes in front of 3,000 spectators.

Two days later he received a letter from UK Athletics Paralympic Head Coach Peter Eriksson inviting him to be part of the development programme for the 2012 Olympic team.

He currently trains at Bath University three-days a week with two current world record holders; Ben Rushgrove, the men's 100m and 200m champion in the T36 category, and Katrina Hart,

This week STUART BROOM talks to a young man who has a great chance of winning the gold medal in the 2012 Olympic Games to be held in London. PAUL BLAKE was born a quadriplegic but tells how, despite his disabilities, he stands on the threshold of attaining one of the greatest sporting feats, thanks to the love and support of his family and his own determination.

who holds the same titles in the women's T37 category; under the guidance of Rob Elchuck, who believes he has the potential to win gold in both the 800m and 1,500m.

This story is even more remarkable because it was only last August that he took to running seriously. Prior to that, despite being fiercely competitive, he felt that he had been ignored because of his disability even though he was often better than able-bodied sportsmen.

Twenty-year-old Paul's story is even more incredible because he was born a quadriplegic, and given little chance of survival.

He was born fifteen minutes after his identical twin brother, Alex, weighing just under two kilos. The cord was round his neck, he wasn't breathing and was very limp and pale. He had suffered a massive haemorrhage sometime before his birth as a result of a condition known as Twin to Twin Transfusion Syndrome (TTTS). Before 26

weeks this is normally fatal. The twins were born at 36 weeks which gave them a better chance of survival, but the acute nature of the syndrome meant that there was a higher risk of handicaps.

His brain was also starved of oxygen for eight hours during the first 24 hours of his life, suggesting he might be severely mentally disabled as well.

Over the first week Paul developed many extreme conditions including sclerema, a potentially fatal condition where the fat tissues in the body harden, and acute renal failure. He suffered fits and apnoea and was given a very poor prognosis.

His mother Kate said: "I had many discussions with both God and his consultant and it was decided that the outcome needed to be miraculous!"

His father admitted: "Having had three other children, all born healthy, I underestimated the degree of severity and didn't realise it was life threatening

initially."

Every day Paul became a little stronger and after two weeks it became obvious he wasn't going to die but that he had a number of problems.

Alex was not without his problems either. The strain on his heart from having too much blood in his body nearly caused his heart to fail but jaundice took over in the nick of time and broke down the blood cells.

A year later Alex, had overcome most of his ailments, whilst Paul remained sickly.

For the next few years the family lived in a state of half denial and half in developing and delivering an intense programme of physical and emotional exercise. The whole family, including Paul's other siblings, Laura (now 29), Ellie (25) and Billy (23), joined in, spending hours manually exercising Paul's limbs and then later encouraging him to stand in the correct position and stroking him with soft paint brushes either side of his spine to stimulate his neurological pathways, and wiggling his toes.

Dad recalled: "We all used to massage and manipulate all parts of his body and forced him to move around, and we are convinced this helped clear 75 per cent of his future problems."

He also had to wear special built up boots to help correctly align the bones and support the arches in his feet, and dad recalled with a chuckle: "They were made in Holland and were by far the best thing we had for him."

Paul had a normal upbringing, and was not allowed to sit things out. His brothers and sisters treated him in exactly the same way as they did each other - often teasing, but never allowing him to play the "disabled card".

In fact, he took part in all their races on the beach, despite being practically unable to walk, and later, because he was unable to ride a bike and wobbled too much when sitting on their saddles, they made him run behind them when going to visit friends.

Kate said: "This was the start of his endurance training - although we didn't know it at the time. We were all pretty merciless when it came to his odd, physical movements but we continued to refuse to accept that he wouldn't 'get better' despite obvious neurological signs. It wasn't until an educa-

tional psychologist suggested that Cerebral Palsy could be the cause of his problems that we began to accept his condition."

It was not only his parents that were in denial of his problems, Paul also wouldn't accept help.

"I wanted to prove myself, but people were looking at me in a different way because of my disabilities. I was adamant I didn't need help," he said.

The family had moved down to Blandford from London three years before the twins were born, and they attended the normal primary schools, before moving to Milldown Middle School.

Both Paul and Alex excelled at most sports, and Paul became very frustrated when he was overlooked at the expense of his able-bodied rivals.

He recalls his time as a goalie at the age of 13 or 14, when he was never selected for the school team despite being equal in ability to two other lads.

Said Paul: "My kicking was not as strong as theirs, but I was equal to them otherwise, but I was never selected. Yet I played in goal for Blandford Rovers youth team and we won the league; the only time in the seven years that they had achieved it, so I couldn't have been too bad."

Soon after they were forced to relocate to Abbotsbury when a proposed move for the family to India to run a bed-and-breakfast establishment fell through at the last minute and they had already sold their house in Blandford.

Paul continued to excel in all sports. His first real success in athletics was winning the Della Jones Mile whilst at Milldown where he won by a huge distance against able-bodied runners. His friend James Baker persuaded him to join Wimborne Athletics Club where he trained in middle distance running for a year, but his perceived prejudice against disabled people and lack of specialist training discouraged him from building on the success, so he turned to roller blading.

"A new skatepark opened and I decided to take it up and really enjoyed it," he said.

He also became interested in basketball and joined Bridport with his brother Alex, again something he really enjoyed, although he wasn't selected that often, unlike his brother.

Alex in fact looks like he might emulate his brother's exceptional sporting prowess, but in basketball. He was noticed by Filton College Bristol



Academy of Sport, home of the Basketball Academy, where he has just finished a two year course.

He achieved England level but had to put sport on hold to finish his academic studies. However, he intends to resume his pursuit of international status when he attends Plymouth University in September where he hopes to play for top UK side Plymouth Raiders.

Paul meantime returned to athletics at Dorchester, but this time instead of giving up in frustration, made a positive decision which puts him on the threshold of a wonderful success story.

Paul is a very polite, unassuming young man and physically does not appear to have the problems he does, a problem which extends not only in everyday life but also within athletics.

Kate explains: "Non acceptance or denial has been a double edged sword. On the one hand it has enabled him to become the athlete that he is today, but on the other, his hard work has masked his disability to such an extent that many, especially in the work place cannot understand how someone who appears so 'normal' has so much difficulty with physical tasks. They fall into the trap of assuming that he must have a mental disability which is quite frustrating. Even within disability athletics they are still trying to determine whether or not he should continue to hold a T36 classification (track athlete with cerebral palsy affecting all four limbs) because he is so phenomenal. It would be ironic if they de-classified him because he is too able. We remind him that many people thought Seb

Coe was too good to be true and must have cheated in some way - many people also think the same of Usain Bolt."

One problem the family face is supporting Paul financially to help achieve what every athlete dreams, the opportunity of Olympic success.

It is estimated that it will cost around £10,000 a year to cover his travelling expenses, kit and equipment but he currently only receives a small grant of £2,000 from the authorities. He supplements this working two days a week in the Town Mill Bakery in Dorchester but it is obviously not enough to cover his costs.

The family have already made so many sacrifices both emotionally and financially it would be travesty if an opportunity like this were to be denied someone who has overcome so much, and therefore through the View From we are appealing for sponsors to help him achieve his goal.

This may take the form of a cash donation or maybe there are local businesses such as sports outlets that can donate equipment. If you can help please contact Kate and Paul on (01305) 257154 or on blake410@btinternet.com. Paul has had many dark days when he has seen no future for himself, but he has grown up in a family with a highly developed sense of humour and has always bounced back.

Paul won the Sports/Sporting Achievement category sponsored by our newspaper at the Wessex FM Local Hero Awards recently where we were so impressed by his determination. He is an inspiration to any disabled person to achieve.

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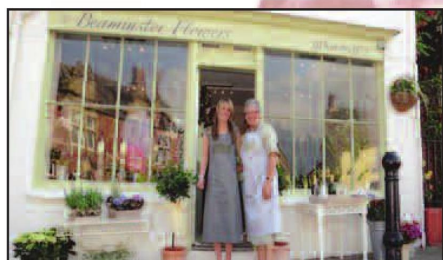
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Mirari have a wide range of beautiful and luxurious bridal lingerie, Shirley the proprietor understands that choosing the right lingerie is important for every bride. Having the right foundations will enhance how you look and feel on your wedding day. Most wedding experts advise brides not to skimp on the foundational garments under their wedding dress. With all the time and money brides spend in choosing the perfect dress, choosing the right lingerie is an important consideration as it directly effects how the gown will look. The miracle of good lingerie is that it can lift, enhance, minimize, or control to make you look and feel special on your special day. Shirley keeps popular wedding lingerie designs from recognised companies such as Charnos, Lingadore, Lejaby and Implicite and can always advise you on what will suit you.

You will find a fantastic range of swim wear items and wraps for your honeymoon, leading pieces are kept in stock from the specialist brands such as Little Kiss, Anita, Sunflair, Lingadore and Fantasie offering not only quality but also style.



• Abbey Brides



Abbey Brides of Sherborne is a beautiful bridal shop set in the pretty town of Sherborne in Dorset. The shop is now 5 years old and offers a fantastic range of Bridal Gowns, bridesmaids dresses and lots of gorgeous accessories. The collections are varied in styling and price and you can be confident you'll get the best advice and service from owner Alison. Whether you want an elegant simple style or a dress fit for a princess you'll be sure to find it. To view the collections you should visit www.abbeybrides.co.uk then phone and book an appointment or just pop into the shop to take an initial look. The new season gowns are now in store and there is a brilliant large 'Sale Rail' in the shop where dresses are reduced by at least 50% so come along and have a look. Call (01935 817363) for an appointment today.



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• ABC Wedding Dresses

ABC Wedding Dresses has been established for over twenty-two years, Caryl the proprietor and the team have enjoyed helping many ladies of all ages and desires dress for their big day.

There are over four hundred different designs of bridal gowns, bridesmaid's dresses, prom and evening gowns available in up to ninety different colours. These are from collections from top designers. ABC also has extensive sales rails.

Upstairs is the bridal boutique. ABC order dresses to sell ranging from £295.00 - £1099.00, sizes from 8 - 30 in stock, certain dresses can be ordered up to size 40.

Several top quality seamstresses are available to alter your dress with a maximum cost of £75.00. Delivery times vary between six to sixteen weeks this also allows time for alterations. If ABC is fitting they like to fit eight weeks and hopefully four weeks before the wedding. However expectant mums and last minute weddings are normally fitted ten days before the big day.

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• Djuna



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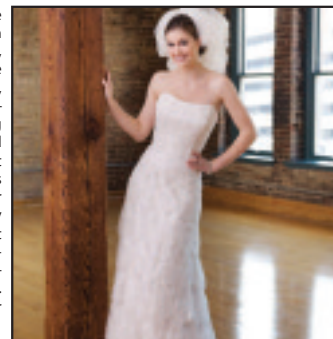
Banana Moon and Livia is our beachwear range and offers colourful swimwear for exotic honeymoon destinations.

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• Prima Moda Brides of Ilminster

Prima Moda Brides of Ilminster, owned by Jean Pas, is renowned for its unique gowns with the latest designs coming in on a regular basis. Jean and the team take time to listen to clientele and offer help and support to find the gown, which is right - allowing each bride to obtain her individual look. Jean explains "we encourage brides and the bridal party to try different styles with their venue in mind, i.e. beach weddings may require a different style and fabric from a traditional ceremony. This can be a fun experience, especially as we can provide the entire stunning picture by offering to dress the hair when choosing a bespoke tiara and adding and veil and jewellery, which delights our clients." The shop provides a generous amount of space for the gowns to be seen at their full advantage, when being chosen. It has a natural light area, which is important to consider when choosing fabrics and colour to suit you. Also the large mirrored changing rooms are a great advantage to every bride. The window displays are changed regularly as Jean understands how important window-shopping is and she has had many complimentary comments on how beautifully her stunning gowns are displayed. Prima Moda Brides works on a mainly appointment system but all brides are made to feel welcome and special at any time. Every bride would find Prima Moda well worth the visit to find the perfect dress for the perfect day and Jean and the team look forward to seeing you.



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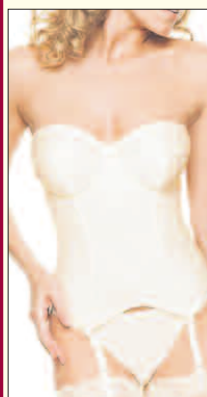


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All clothes are outstanding quality and parents will be delighted by the fact that they are

so reasonably priced. Where else will you find well-made, fashionable and affordable children's clothing on your doorstep?

Pop in today to see the new range and let them know what you think. Manager, Claire Robertson, is proud of the community nature of the store, which is now in its second successful year of trading, and welcomes your comments. If you think there is anything you would like to see in the range or just want to say how pleased you are with your purchases, feel free to tell a member of Wellworths friendly staff or post your views in the in store suggestion box.

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Their trained and helpful staff are always available to provide guidance regarding special dietary needs, bodycare and food supplements. The shop is open from 9:00am to 5:30pm Monday to Saturday and is a stockist of Solgar Vitamins, Biocare, Tisserand Aromatherapy products, Burts Bees and Dr Hauschka Skincare, which has recently been voted The Sunday Times Best Natural Bodycare Brand 2010.

Unlike the rest of their stores, Dorchester has its very own therapy room with attendant therapists offering Acupuncture, Allergy Testing, Aromatherapy Massage, Chiropody, Hopi Ear Candle treatment, Foresight Pre-conceptual Care, Indian Head Massage, Hair Mineral Analysis, Hypnotherapy, Homeopathy, Holistic Massage, Nutrition, Reiki, Reflexology and Sports Massage. Please phone for an appointment.



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Mr Blackburn, who qualified at Wedlake Saint solicitors in London in 1994, has built up a reputation for success in clinical negligence and personal injury claims.

John also has extensive experience in other areas of litigation, including disputes relating to commercial and consumer contracts, debts, trusts and property - having won a landlord and tenant dispute in the Court of Appeal.

Sian Merriott joined Blackburn & Co in May 2010 having been admitted as a solicitor in 1992. Sian has worked at various law firms where she has specialized in all areas of family law including divorce, ancillary relief (financial settlement on divorce) and Children Act 1989 applications. Sian is a member of both Resolution and the Law Society's Advanced Family Law Panel; she is also a trained Collaborative lawyer. Her approach to family matters is conciliatory if at all possible as she firmly believes that it is

in both parties interests to reach agreement, especially if children are involved. However, Sian also has a great deal of court experience and will pursue the matter through the court if necessary to obtain the fairest outcome for her client.

Property conveyancing is another major element of the firm's work, undertaken by Sian Merriott and Gillian Philipps, a conveyancing executive. Gillian has been conveyancing in Dorset for more than 12 years, the last 8 of which have been spent on Portland working with clients from Lands End to Cum-bria.

Mr Blackburn said he "established the firm because (he) felt the time was right for a particular sort of firm in Dorchester - an adaptable, forward-looking one which above all was not affected by any kind of historical inertia. We're also technologically advanced with state-of-the-art legal software, which means we can obtain information relating to a case at the touch of the button. In conveyancing some searches can be turned round within half an hour. This firm is small and responsive as well as friendly, and our approach is very different to that of a large, old-fashioned practice."



■ From Left to Right | John Blackburn – Principal – Clinical negligence, personal injury claims, professional negligence claims; Sian Merriott – Solicitor – Family and conveyancing; Gillian Philipps – Conveyancing; Emily Dale – Trainee

Tea and history anyone?

The Duke of Monmouth landed at Lyme Regis on the 11th June 1685 to challenge King James' claim to the throne, following the death of Charles II. He assembled an army in excess of 3,000 men and marched to Sedgemoor in Somerset.

He was defeated by the King's army in less than a month. Around 1300 were taken prisoner. Five Judges came to Dorchester with the infamous Judge Jeffreys, whose reputation was that of the 'hanging judge'.

In September 1685, 312 cases were heard in the Oakroom at the rear of the Antelope Hotel; of these 292 were sentenced to death. Only 74 were executed, with 175 transported, 9 were fined or whipped and 54 were discharged.

Judge Jeffreys – having his eye on promotion – was later made Lord Chancellor.

When King James fell and William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was captured and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes.



Rumours at the time said he has been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and walled up in the Courtroom – now the Oakroom.

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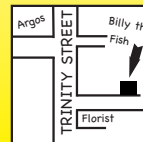
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The ultimate leisure guide for Dorset

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View 2 Music

They say imitation is the highest form of flattery

LIKE 'em or loathe 'em, tribute bands are here to stay. In fact, there's a few pubs these days where you're more likely to see a tribute act than you are a good old fashioned covers band or - perish the thought - a group playing their own original material!

Tribute bands have been around for more years than I care to remember. The first was probably The Buggs, a short lived American band in the mid-Sixties who covered Beatles tunes whilst also trying the look like them.

But it wasn't until The Bootleg Beatles came along that tribute acts really began to take off. Formed from the West End cast of the now long forgotten musical *Beatlemania* in the early-Eighties, by the 1990s the band were filling the same venues the original Fab Four had 30 years earlier.



Although The Beatles led the way with a string of tribute bands - some good, some bad - following in their footsteps, these days any band worth its salt has a tribute act.

Bands like The Rolling Clones, Who's Who, The Jamm and Whole Lotta Led make it easier - and cheaper - for fans to hear the music they love the way it should be heard... live!

If any band has inspired as many tribute acts as The Beatles, then it's probably Pink Floyd. The Australian Pink Floyd were formed in 1988 and have earned themselves a phenomenal reputation, playing at Floyd guitarist David Gilmour's 50th birthday party.

These days you'll often find the group using the same crew the original band employed, including the sound engineer and drum tech. They also put all they can into the production values of their show, making it as theatrical as the budget will allow.



Although they might not have the same sort of CV as their Aussie counterparts, UK based Think Floyd filled Seaton Town Hall last week and played an astonishing show, proving that although they might not have inflatable pigs and the like, as musicians, they're as good as anyone.

Yet another Floyd tribute visit the area next week. The UK Pink Floyd play Axminster Guildhall on Friday, July 9th. Entry on the door is £10 with show time at 8:30pm. If they're anywhere near as good as the Aussies or Think Floyd, it won't be a show to miss!

by James Coles

THE BEST OF BRITISH
BLUES-ROCK FOR THIS
MONTHS LEGEND RETURN

FROM the hinterlands of the Thames River Delta come The Hamsters. Now in their twenty-third year together, having performed over 4,000 concerts, the Hamsters are established as the UK's premier blues-rock attraction.

Although primarily performing their own brand of material, they are also widely regarded as the UK's leading interpreters of the music of Jimi Hendrix and more recently ZZ Top.

The band play at the Woodmead Hall, Lyme Regis on Saturday, June 26th.

Tickets are on sale at the Tourist Information Centre, 01297 442138 and by PayPal at this page on the Lyme

Regis TV website: www.lymeregis.tv/legends.html. For updates on shows and support acts, join the Lyme Legends Facebook page: Legends Return to Lyme Regis. If you would like to be in line for one of the forthcoming Free Tickets Competitions, join the 'Legends' mailing list, by sending an email to legendsreturn@live.co.uk.

These shows are being filmed by LymeRegisTV, and from time to time clips will be available at the Music Channel on the website: www.livestream.com/lymemusic and on our YouTube page: www.youtube.com/user/LymeRegisTV

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

TONY Fuller first discovered Dorset as a wartime evacuee but has since made his home in charming Chideock. In most of Dorset's bookstores you will find his little book of poems, 'My Dorset', from which these two of his poems are taken.

Dorset's Therapy

*If you need a quiet moment, if in need of your own space,
Where the busy world is left behind, no longer in your face.*

*You know you have to get away,
But where to go and where to stay?
Somewhere in the countryside, where life flows at a slower pace.*

*Away from all the city life. The rat race, the hysteria.
Stone-built, thatched cottage by the sea, covered in wisteria*

*A place to help you cleanse your mind
But where is such a place to find.
Somewhere you know you can relax, where peace is the criteria.*

So many places you can try, each one may set you free.

*But you must try the Dorset coast for peace and real tranquillity.
From Alice Springs to Bangladesh
From Florida to Marrakesh*

Dorset's county is the best. This is the only place to be.

ONE of the problems of living in a beautiful and peaceful place is that people come to visit you. If too many come then the tranquillity they travel to find might no longer be here. Of course the local economy thrives on tourism and couldn't prosper without it. So 'grockles' - as Devon and Dorset folk used to call the visitors who come down from the Midlands and the North - are decidedly seen as a mixed blessing.

Grockles

*Last week was hell for dog and man
Lorries, cars and caravans
Noise and fuss, pollution too
So sit at home with nowt to do.*

*I woke today with the last grockle gone.
It's peaceful now and the world moves on.
I'll walk my dog along country lanes
Together enjoying the world again.*

*Light-hearted we'll walk through the wintry days,
Along the shore and the country ways
Through the rain and the blustery wind
And never a grockle comes to mind.*

*Christmas is gone and Easter is due.
The apple blossom is right on cue.
Then just when you think the world is sane
The grockles start sneaking back again.*

*The countryside is for all to share
I suppose that is only right and fair
Yet this poem has made it clear and plain
I'll be glad when the grockles are gone again.*

WE need a very short verse to conclude and I can't think of a better one than this little gem from the prolific pen of Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

The Winds of Fate

*One ship drives east and another drives west
With the selfsame winds that blow.*

*'Tis the set of the sails,
And not the gales,
That tell us the way to go.
Like the winds of the sea are the ways of fate;
As we voyage along through life,
'Tis the set of a soul
That decides its goal,
And not the calm or the strife.*

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: 'Poetry for Pleasure', Lyme Media & Events Ltd, St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF.
Or e-mail it to us at: pemedi@pemedi.co.uk

Dorset Garden Day

ON Saturday, June 27th between 10 - 5pm a wonderful Dorset Garden Day will be taking place at Chideock Manor, near Bridport (thanks to Mr and Mrs Howard Coates), entrance £5. Specialist plant stalls, crafts and gardening products, displays and demonstrations in these newly created Sensational Gardens.

Also International lecturers Kim Wilkie, Anna Pavord and Tim Richardson will be speaking and answering your questions.

(Lecture Tickets available in advance from Mrs S Hichens, 01308 488232).

A Hog Roast and plenty of refreshments will be available. All welcome.

ART IN THE PARK

'ART in the Park' (a Royal Manor Workshops annual summer event) in conjunction with Weymouth & Portland Borough Council will take place on Saturday, July 20th from 10am - 4pm, as part of the 'Spirit of the Sea Maritime Festival' with a central theme of 'The Sea' and 'The Isle of

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Gala screening of Shakespeare poem to be brought to life on stage

Tamara Drewe

THE Electric Palace in Bridport is delighted to announce a Gala screening of Tamara Drewe on Friday, September 17th, with writer, Posy Simmonds and director, Stephen Frears in attendance.

As Tamara Drewe was filmed in the nearby locations of Salwayash, Dorchester, Beaminster and Yeovil, the Gala screening at the Electric Palace will make the evening even more special with the director, writer and cast collectively returning to Dorset for a final time.

Tamara Drewe had its World Premiere out of competition at Cannes Film Festival on May 18th 2010 and attracted major interest and high praise from reviewers and critics of the national papers.

The Gala screening will have an introduction from Posy Simmonds MBE, writer and illustrator of the well-loved graphic novel Tamara Drewe, which had a long standing feature in the Guardian newspaper and upon which the film is based. Simmonds' writing of Tamara is filled with lust and humour and was as in turn inspired by Thomas Hardy's Far From The Madding Crowd.

Following the screening, Stephen Frears will speak about the making of the film and complete the evening with a Q&A opportunity.

Stephen Frears came to international attention in 1985 with his production of 'My Beautiful Laundrette' for channel 4. The film received theatrical acclaim and received a nomination for an Academy Award and two nominations for BAFTA awards. Frears went on to make films of great acclaim including Dangerous Liaisons (1988), High Fidelity (2000), Dirty Pretty Things (2003), Mrs Henderson Presents starring Dame Judi Dench and Bob Hoskins and The Queen (2006) for which he was nominated for the Academy Award for Best Picture.

The film stars Gemma Arterton as the eponymous Tamara, British star Dominic Cooper, Tamsin Greig and Roger Allam.

The Gala will be in support of two local charities, Pilsdon Community Centre and Marie Curie Cancer Care.

Although a red carpet event, the Gala evening will have an informal dress code to reflect the spirit of the film.

The doors will open at 6.45pm, with an introduction by Posy Simmonds at 7.15pm. Tickets for the Gala screening are £30 each and are anticipated to sell out very quickly. To book tickets please call the Bridport Tourist Information Centre on 01308 424901.

SHAKESPEARE'S epic and harrowing poem The Rape of Lucrece will be brought to life on the Marine Theatre stage on Friday 9th July, following a five-star-winning run at Edinburgh 2008 and sell-out performances during its London runs at the prestigious King's Head Theatre, Sir Peter Hall's Rose Theatre, Kingston and the Rose, Bankside. Olivier award nominee and RSC actor Gerard Logan brings to Lyme Regis his astonishing solo performance of Shakespeare's brilliant, brutal narrative poem, giving an account of the terrible crime of rape and its dreadful consequences, in the poem's first ever stage adaptation.

In his intense poem about the legend of Lucretia, Shakespeare goes beyond the ob-

vious, tracing the crime wherever it takes him, shining a light on a band of behaviour encompassing the bestial and the beautiful.

Marine Theatre Creative Director Ian Stephens said: "If you love poetry, Shakespeare, or just a good story brilliantly told don't miss this show. We will rarely have the chance to experience great poetry brought to life this well... a single actor, a bare stage - rapist and victim springing to searing life."

The Rape of Lucrece will be performed at the Marine Theatre at 8pm on Friday 9th July. Tickets cost £11 (£9) in advance, from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre on 01297 442138, online at www.marinetheatre.org.uk or on the door.

Greg Morris back in town

AUDIENCE members of the organ appeal recital series at St. Michael's Parish Church, Lyme Regis were recently treated to a brilliant recital by Professor Ian Tracey on the new Skrabl organ and by mak-



ing great use of the video screen relay from the organ loft he was a wonderful educator as well. Audiences can look forward to hearing another top class organist in Greg Morris who is the associate organist of the Temple Church in London, playing a recital this Saturday, June 26th at 7.30pm.

Greg recently accompanied the Lyme Bay Chorale in their spring concert at the Church and delighted the audience with a few solo items. In his forth coming recital Greg will play music by Buxtehude, Bach, Sweelinck, Mendelssohn,

Franck, Vienne and the English composer Kenneth Leighton whose music Greg has recently recorded at Blackburn Cathedral. Tickets are adults £10/8 and children £5 at the door or in advance from the TIC on 01297 442138. Full details www.lymeregisorganapeal.com

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Top Gear told to
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TOP Gear presenters James May, Richard Hammond and Jeremy Clarkson are to tone down the stunts on the popular BBC driving show.

Ahead of the new series starting this Sunday, James told the Radio Times: "The keen observer will see a subtle change this series, a slight retreat from the Last of the Summer Wine tomfoolery."

"It's easy to get carried away – it's like drinking, you start to believe you're funny and other people might not. I don't think anybody would say a TV programme has got too big – everybody wants their programme to be the biggest in the world. But it opens you to accusations of dumbing down, all that sort of stuff. It possibly makes it more difficult."

BBC creative director Alan Yentob has explained the broadcaster's decision to withdraw their offer to Christine Bleakley. He said: "The most important thing was her commitment. When you announce that you haven't made your mind up and you're negotiating you feel a bit of a patsy. People will give her every support and we wish her luck."

PETER Andre has turned down Strictly Come Dancing. A top source told TV Biz: "Strictly really wanted Peter. He's got a massive fan base. He's also got a body to die for – think of the fun they could have had in wardrobe." Boxer Lennox Lewis also reportedly dismissed the offer, telling producers he's a serious sports star, not a reality TV wannabe.

CONTROVERSIAL comedian Russell Brand has finally made it into the upper echelons of the Hollywood A-list. He's been offered a guest spot on The Simpsons.

Russell told The Sun: "It's true I'm going to be in The Simpsons. I was having an amazing birthday party and found out I was going into space. Then my agent says, 'Oh, The Simpsons want you in an episode'. Once you've gone yellow, you've made it."

He added: "My ideal show would be where I have a cartoon relapse with Barney and Homer and get smashed out of my mind with them."

This week sees the release of Brand's latest film, Get Him To The Greek – for more details on the film see *View Cinema* on page 34.

by Rob Larcombe

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Russell returns for rock star excess and debauchery

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Ambitious 23-year-old Aaron Greenberg (Hill) has exaggerated his way into a dream job just in time for a career-making assignment. His mission: Fly to London and escort a rock god to L.A.'s Greek Theatre for the first-stop on a \$100-million tour. His warning: Turn your back on him at your own peril. British rocker Aldous Snow (Brand) is both a brilliant musician and walking sexual icon. Weary of yes men and piles of money, the former front man is searching for the meaning of life. But that doesn't mean he can't have a few orgies while he finds it. When he learns his true love is in California, Aldous makes it his quest to win her backright before kick-starting his world domination.

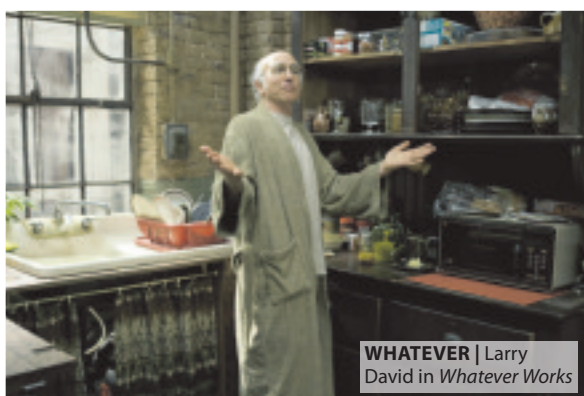
As the countdown to the concert begins, one intern must navigate a minefield of London drug smuggles, New York City brawls and Vegas lap dances to deliver his charge safe and, sort of, sound.



WILL THEY MAKE IT? | Russell Brand and Jonah Hill in *Get Him To The Greek*

WOODY Allen-directed comedy *Whatever Works* sees lifelong New Yorker Boris Yellnikoff attempting to impress his ideologies on religion, relationships, and the randomness (and worthlessness) of existence to anyone who will listen, including the audience. But when he begrudgingly allows naive Mississippi runaway Melodie St. Ann Celestine to live in his apartment, his reclusive rages give way to an unlikely friendship and Boris begins to mold the impressionable young girl's worldly views to match his own. When it comes to love, "whatever works" is his motto, but his already perplexed life complicates itself further when Melodie's parents eventually track her down

by Francesca Evans



WHATEVER | Larry David in *Whatever Works*

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RADIPOLE, WEYMOUTH: Summer Show from 7.30pm at the United Reformed Church, Spa Road. Telephone 01305 784187 for more details.

SATURDAY JULY 10th

BRADPOLE: Prize bingo - doors open 7.15pm, eyes down 8pm.

PORTLAND: Art in the Park held in Easton Gardens from 10am - 4pm.

SATURDAY JULY 10th AND SUNDAY JULY 11th

MOSTERTON: Mosterton Summer Show at the Event Field, from 11am. Tractor rides, tractor pulling, classic cars, sheep racing, majorettes, 'free wheelers', dog agility and a variety of craft and side stalls. Bar and refreshments will also be available, plus lots more! Tickets are £3 for adults, £1 child each day. Sunday only Mid-West radio live and Companion Dog Show. Saturday evening: 8.30pm - midnight 'Shipoffools' Tickets £5. For more details call 01308 868561 for more details.

SUNDAY JULY 11th

MAIDEN NEWTON: Open Gardens from 11.30am - 5.30pm, with lunches and cream teas being served. For any further information contact Cherri on 01300 320888.

THURSDAY JULY 15th

LYME REGIS: Free Tibet, film and talk by Dechen. At Hallet Court, Queens Walk from 5.15pm. Telephone 01297 442610 for more details.

SATURDAY JULY 17th

LEIGH, NEAR SHERBORNE: Fifth Food Festival and Classic Car Show at the Village Hall from 10am - 4pm. Some of the best food from local producers and a variety of cars. Mat Follas, Master Chef of 2009, will open the fair. Entrance is £2, children free. All proceeds will go to Leigh Village Hall.

UPLYME, LYME REGIS: Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Summer Show from 2 - 5pm. At Uplyme village Hall and Field. Show classes in the marquee and hall, stalls, bouncy castle, games, dog show, live music and teas. Telephone 01297 444034 for more details.

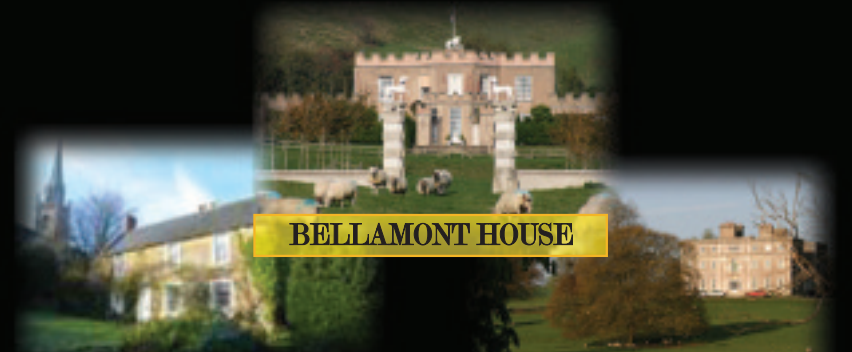
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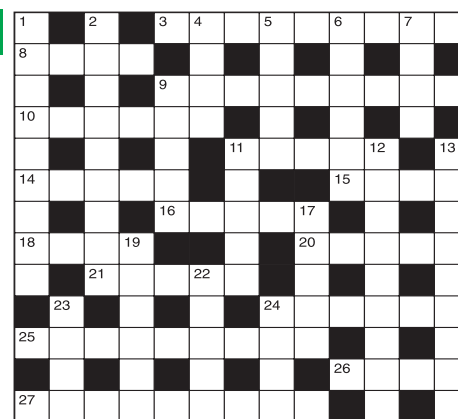
Across

- Pen (9)
- Nobleman (4)
- Complicated (9)
- Locomotive (6)
- Embrace (5)
- Proportion (5)
- Unaccompanied (4)
- Cautions (5)
- With the addition of (4)
- Military student (5)
- Walks lamely (5)
- Unproductive (6)
- Wooling (9)
- Bend (4)
- Disconcert (9)

Down

- To wire (9)
- Dreadful (9)
- Egyptian river (4)
- Tag (5)
- Accentuate (6)
- Ceremonial observance (4)
- Bequeath (5)
- Worries (5)
- Heavy (9)
- Mainland of Europe (9)
- Remnant (5)
- Jagged mountain-chain (6)
- Problem (5)
- Shape (4)
- Offers (4)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
Across: 1 Idol; 3 Reliable; 8 Teen; 9 Calmness; 11 Misadventure; 13 Tremor; 14 Wretch; 17 Anticipation; 20 Airfield; 21 Mute; 22 Meekness; 23 Less.
Down: 1 Intimate; 2 Overseer; 4 Elated; 5 Immaterial; 6 Blear; 7 Easy; 10 Admonition; 12 Thinness; 15 Tribute; 16 Titles; 18 Nurse; 19 Harm.



SUDOKU

Fill in all the squares in the grids below so that every row, column and each of the nine 3x3 squares contain all the digits from one to nine.

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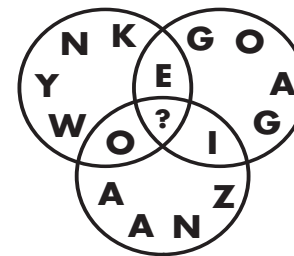
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CIRCLEGRAM

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be re-arranged to form words with a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
The letter represented by the question mark is G. Shooting, Sailing, Cycling, all Olympics events.

WORDSQUARE

Using the central letter and at least three others, how many words can you find? Plurals, proper nouns and hyphenated words are not allowed, and there is at least one 9-letter word.

20 words = OK,
35 words = Good,
50 words = Great,
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:
LIBERATOR

**LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:****EASY**

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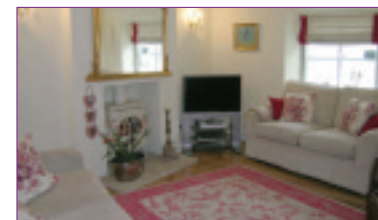
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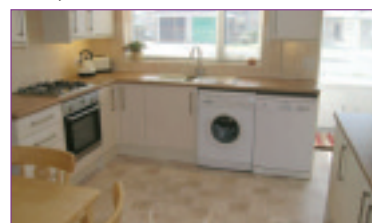


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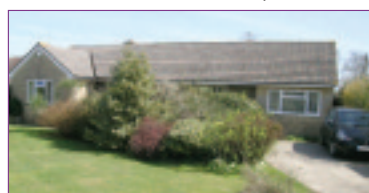
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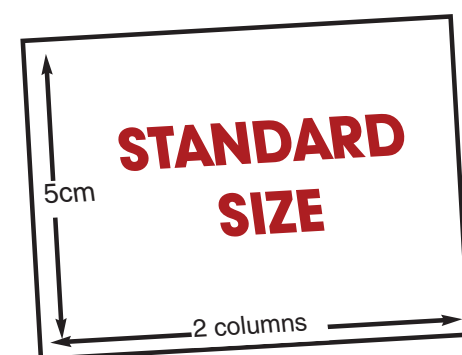
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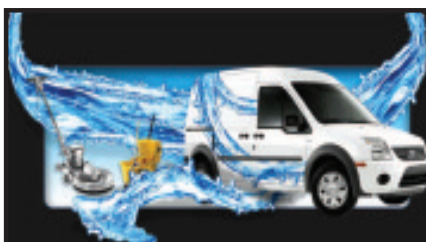
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These are the latest in a string of awards for Škoda, closely following the brand's success in the Which? awards and the Auto Express Driver Power survey. The brand has also picked up a number of towcar titles in the past few years, with the Superb hatch winning its class in last year's Towcar Awards.

The Practical Caravan awards, backed by What Car? and The Camping and Caravanning Club, are based on vigorous and thorough towcar assessment. Each car is tested by a panel of six judges for its towing ability, buying and owning costs, drive quality when not towing and practicality.

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WEST BAY SEA ANGLING CLUB

Halliday sets club record with bass

WILL Halliday set a new West Bay Sea Angling Club record from the shore with a 5kg 57g bass although he didn't win anything for it as he was fishing for pleasure and not in a competition!

In the latest two Junior events, Ollie Mears - having come second in the first - went one better second time around.

Eight members and one guest signed in for the first fishing off East Pier West Bay with everyone catching fish which included flounder, wrasse, plaice and weever, with ragworm proving the best bait on the day.

It was guest Ollie Dowding who took first place with a haul of 470g, including the heaviest flat fish, a 101g flounder; ahead of Mears (281g) and Ellie McCullogh (191g) third.

Liam Bull's 95g corkwing

wrasse was the heaviest round fish, with Elliot Joy picking up the wooden spoon.

The weather was sunny and warm with a southerly 2 wind; the sea was calm and clear.

Just seven juniors fished the second match from the East Pier on a warm day with only a sea breeze to keep them cool.

Once again all the competitors caught fish comprising flounder, Pollack, weever, shanny, sea scorpion, plaice and wrasse.

Mears won this one with a 178g legal weight catch of a single ballan wrasse (also heaviest round fish) with Liam Bull (252g) and guest Dowding third with 151g.

Kieran Ellison's 78g flounder won him heaviest flat fish whilst poor Elliot Joy once again picked up the wooden spoon.

Prizes for both competitions

were donated by The Old Watchhouse, Kay Guppy and Tiny.

Twenty members signed on to fish the Thursday night competition, this time at Charmouth.

Half of the competitors managed to catch weighable fish which consisted of dogfish, wrasse and mackerel. Peter Grinter caught a fine wrasse of 1 kg 461g from the car park area which won him the heaviest fish prize, which was weighed then released alive.

Adam Cullingford's haul of six mackerel and three dogfish weighing 3kg 665g won him first prize, ahead of Dave Chidzey with three dogfish, two wrasse and a pout weighing 2kg 535g.

Mears had to be content with third place here, his four dogfish weighing 2kg 500g, whilst Phil Maggs won most species with three.



NEW RECORD | Will Halliday proudly holds his club record bass

Butt retains titles at county champs : Warriors impress at Avalon Gala

HOLLY Butt retained her 100m and 200m Junior Girls titles at the Dorset County Athletics Championships held at Kings Park, Bournemouth recently.

She was among a number of Sir John Colfox School (TSJCS) athletes that were successful in the event that saw a number of school records also broken.

TSJCS's reputation for producing top athletes goes back 30 years, and this year the school was represented by the largest number of participants from a single school that qualified for the championships.

Lucy Fry is the youngest new county champion. The Year Seven student set a new school record in winning the discus, whilst there was a double for the Tuck family with Ali winning the Intermediate Boys

hammer, and sister Megan winning the Senior Girls discus. She also took third in the Senior Girls hammer event.

Two other school records fell where in the Year Seven javelin Will Bowen Ashwin finished second, and in the Junior Girls 1,500m Beth Letherby was third.

Another notable success was Year Seven's Will Pearce who finished second in the Boys 200m.

Other athletes that qualified for the championships are: Emily Donovan, Amy Howells, Imogen Slade, Honor Slade, Mat Fry, Phoebe Stewart, Anna Roberts Wray, Wendy Robertshaw, Harriet Hughes and Annie Armstrong.

WEST Dorset Warriors were once again in the throng of the action, at the annual Avalon Sprint Swimming gala at Millfield School, Somerset, against a high calibre of clubs spread around the South West area.

The gala was a great success for the 18 Warriors with 35 personal bests (PB), and second place overall as a team; they took 14 gold medals, 17 silver medals and nine bronze medals.

The 11-year-old boys, showed speed and determination. Charlie Hitchcock won the 200m Individual Medley and 50m Butterfly with silver medals in 50 & 100m Backstroke, whilst Hugh Ireland won 100 & 200m Freestyle and 100m Butterfly and collected a bronze medal in the 200m Individual Medley.

Not to be outdone by their younger team members, in the 15 years and over events Jordan Trevartha won 50 & 100m Backstroke with silver in 50m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly, whilst Tom Cooper obtained gold in the

100m Butterfly and silver in 100m Backstroke and 200m Individual Medley.

Following their recent success in the Western Relay Championships, Aaron Fryer and Peter Horne carried on their impressive racing with Aaron winning the 13 yr boys 100m and 200m Freestyle and Peter winning gold in the 14-year-old boys 200m Individual Medley.

Aaron backed up his wins with silver medals in 200m Individual Medley and 100m Butterfly and Peter added silver medals in 50m, 100m & 200m Freestyle.

The girls came away with a haul of medals led by Olivia Freeman in the 13-year-old girls with gold in 50m & 100m Butterfly and 50m Freestyle and a bronze in 100m Freestyle.

In the 11 year-old-girls, Aoife McCarthy - recently back from injury - showed determination to end the day with three silver medals in 50m & 100m Butterfly and 100 Backstroke.

Amber Cornick had a busy gala,

entering seven events for 11-year-old girls, and only being placed outside the top three in one; along the way winning 200m Individual Medley, with silver in 50m & 200m Freestyle and 50m Backstroke.

Arguably the most noticeable PB improvement of the day for girls went to Georgia Bowes who smashed 18 seconds off her 200m freestyle for the 11-year-old girls, and Cerys Lee, for the 10-year-old girls, who reduced her PB in the 50m Freestyle by over three seconds.

For the boys Bradley Mullins, in the 11-year-old group, knocked just under three seconds off his PB in the 100m Freestyle.

Warriors have an exciting winning young team coming through, with hard work from both swimmers and coaching staff at the club.

If you are interested in joining West Dorset Warriors please contact Janet Hewitt on 01305 266175 or visit www.wdwarriors.org.uk

Dorset FA in partnership with Chelsea Ladies

DORSET FA has formed a super new partnership with Chelsea to give local female football stars the chance to shine on the big stage.

This exciting opportunity comes at a time when Chelsea Ladies have recently been announced as one of eight clubs to join the new FA Women's Super League so offering a great incentive for aspiring young players in Dorset.

The Dorset FA Centre of Excellence programme currently offers girls between the age of eight and 16-years-old the opportunity to train and play matches in an elite environment.

Working in partnership with Chelsea will allow Dorset FA to extend its investment in player development up to the age of 19 by offering two part-funded scholarship places for girls from the Dorset Centre of Excellence to attend the Chelsea U19 Ladies Academy programme.

Opportunities for players in the county to continue their development into the top flight of women's football is limited which is why this partnership with

Chelsea Ladies FC is so important.

Two Dorset players, Ellie Crabb from Beaminster and Jade Rhodes from Highcliffe, have been offered places at the Chelsea U19 Ladies Academy and will be joining an elite group of 16 players from around the country who will continue their education at Guildford College whilst training over 10 hours a week at the club's Premier League training ground.

To get a taste for what life might be like as an academy player, Dorset FA organised for the under-16 girls Centre of Excellence squad to travel to Surrey last month to spend the day at the Chelsea FC training ground in Surrey. England International and Chelsea captain Casey Stoney put the girls through their paces in the morning with a training session challenging their physical movement and technical ability.

Later in the day they had a chance to show their match play ability against one of the Chelsea development squads.

Casey who is also the academy's head coach

gave the girls some valuable tips and feedback to individual players on areas they could concentrate and improve.

Five players were selected for further trials at the U19 academy following which Ellie and Jade Rhodes were offered places. Ellie described her offer of a place as a dream come true: "It's been my dream for my entire life. I never thought it could possibly happen, from Beaminster, a small town in Dorset, to Chelsea!"

Her parents added: "We are extremely proud of Ellie's achievements which have involved a huge commitment and dedication from herself and we're sure this will continue at the Chelsea Academy."

Ellie has had financial support over the years from Beaminster charities, The Mark Broad Fund and the Brit Valley Rotary Club to help with her travel expenses to training and matches where she progressed from playing for Bridport Boys and Queen Bees to Dorchester.

Whilst it was disappointing to leave Dorchester, Ellie recognised that to progress she needed to

play at the highest level.

She said: "I would like to thank everyone who has supported and coached me throughout my football career so far, in particular my parents for all the travelling they have done."

Clare Nichols, Women and Girls Football Development Officer for Dorset FA, said: "This fantastic new partnership with Chelsea is not only about offering an opportunity for the promising talent of current players in Dorset, we also hope this will inspire younger girls to take up the sport and dare to dream that one day they could play football at the highest level."

With 39 teams competing regularly in the Dorset Girls League, an exciting new project 'Girls Go for Goal' running with the FA Skills team and a World Cup in progress there has never been a better time for girls to take up the sport.

If you are interested in playing girls or women's football in Dorset please contact Dorset FA 01202 688280 or have a look at the women and girls section on their website www.dorsetfa.com



LARGE MEDAL HAUL | The Warriors team who came back from the Avalon meeting with a fistful of medals

Howzat! - The West Dorset Cricket scene

WITH STUART BROOM

THREE WINS IN A ROW FOR DORCHESTER

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PREMIER LEAGUE

Ferndown Wayfarers 143 all out lost to Dorchester 283-6 by 140 runs

DORCHESTER recorded their third consecutive victory with a good win over Wayfarers. Skipper Martyn Richards was pleased with his team's attitude and application following the two previous victories.

"I didn't want the lads thinking they just had to turn up, and they showed the right attitude from the start. I would have preferred to bowl first, but having said that we needed to improve our batting when we have to bat first, and we did that with a solid display right down the order.

"Pete Moxom once again showed what a good player he is and his second wicket partnership of 112 with Quenton Miller laid the foundation for the innings."

Steve Gerety went early for 13 before Moxom (67) and Miller (54) set up a run feast.

Dan Belt weighed in with 29 whilst Paul Tweddie's 59 included a huge straight six and a Dilshan "scoop" for four.

Andy Mead topped up the total with a quick-fire unbeaten 35 from just 21 balls.

Wayfarers had no answer to Dorchester's power particularly after Phil Morley (2-27) bowled dangerman Leigh Dunham who was recently called up for Dorset, for two with the score on four.

"Phil bowled Leigh with a cracking ball which put us on the front foot," said Richards.

Rob Waite (3-33) then dismissed David Elsworthy and Ian Griffiths with only 17 on the board to put Dorchester firmly in the driving seat.

With Xenon Ellis (3-22) knocking down the middle order with only Neil Sexton (20) showing resistance, Wayfarers were reduced to 62-7.

The lower order dug in, and with Richards (1-36) desperate for full bowling points he turned to himself and Belt (1-9) to try and prise and opening with spin.

The play worked perfectly despite conceding some runs and Wayfarers were finally out for 143 in the 47th over to give Dorchester maximum points.

Mead can count himself unlucky not to have bagged a wicket having only conceded 16 runs in his nine overs.

Stalbridge 234-3 beat**Weymouth 233-7 by 7 wickets**

STUART Sweatman made light of Weymouth's target of 233-7 with a blistering 94 runs off just 67 balls as he swept Stalbridge to a seven wicket victory. Sweatman had scored 48 before his opening partner Luke Webb had got off the mark, such was the ferocity of his assault.

Seasiders skipper Paul Payne said: "Stuart Sweatman batted very well and just took the game away from us. He hit 94 off 67 balls and although we had a hard chance around 50 and then maybe a good opportunity when he was in the mid 70's, sometimes you just have to put your hands up and give the other side credit.

"Nine times out of ten I would take a score of 233, but he just hit everything."

Weymouth despite losing Payne (4) and Dean Janaway (6) early, recovered through Jim Ryall (36) and Johnny Armfield.

Following Ryall's dismissal and Kieron Womble for a duck, Armfield and Will McKay (43) joined forces and with Matt Lawes contributing 27 they reached a respectable score of 233-7 with Armfield unbeaten on 88 not out.

Sweatman hit 15 fours and two sixes in his 80 minute innings that was ended when Faraz Ulhaq bowled him in sight of his century.

Ulhaq (3-25) was the only successful Weymouth bowler claiming Webb as well as George Wisset-Warner who weighed in with 40.

"We didn't bowl that badly, and our fielding was good. I don't think we did a lot wrong, we just have to admit they were the better side on the day."

DIVISION ONE

Corfe Mullen 136 all out beat Beaminster 76 all out by 60 runs

HAVING dismissed Corfe Mullen for just 136 after they had decided to bat, Beaminster may have felt that they were heading for their first victory of the season.

However they could not have expected what was to follow as Toby Shortland ripped through the Beaminster batting taking an incredible 9-33 off one ball short of ten overs.

Shortland (27) had already rescued his side with a seventh wicket stand of 55 with Neil Walpole (35) after they had been reduced to 67-6 by the impressive Paul Martin who took 4-25 in his ten overs.

Skipper Ross Baker (2-51) finally nailed Walpole, with Nick David (1-14) having the dangerous Shortland caught off his one over. Another spinner Mark Barber, with 2-24 off nine overs also bowled extremely economically.

Baker said: "With favourable bowling conditions due to cloud cover, our opening bowlers Paul Martin and Simon Jones put the batsmen under great pressure by bowling full and straight. Runs were hard to come by as the fielders made no mistakes and wickets started to tumble, and we were delighted with our efforts in dismissing them for 136 all out."

Beaminster had an uncomfortable 50 minutes before tea losing four crucial wickets.

Chris Park and Richard Runyard (13) made an encouraging start before Shortland struck. He had Runyard caught with the score on 30, and then dismissed both David and Dan Hillier without scoring. Park who had looked comfortable was then given out leg before for 27 in the last over before tea.

After tea, Jones was bowled in the first over leaving Beaminster struggling on 65-5 and only Baker (22) showed any resistance before unfortunately playing on, as Beaminster lost their last five wicket for just 11 runs.

Seven batsmen were out without scoring a run. Baker was curt and scathing in his summing up of his side's display: "It was an opportunity missed for Beaminster due to woeful, pathetic batting."

Weymouth 231-4 beat**Broadstone 2nd 227-7 by 6 wickets**

SHORT of a specialist opening bat Weymouth skipper John Ryan was pleased with the response of the experienced Mike Pearce who volunteered his services, and he looked like he had done it all his career with a superb 71 that was the foundation of the Seasiders impressive six wicket win over Broadstone.

Pearce who occupied the crease for 55 minutes hit 12 fours and a six in his 52 ball innings, was well supported by Andy Bray (36) and Simon Browne (23) before Ben Doidge (41 not out) and Dave Trotter (19 not out) shared an unbroken fifth wicket partnership of 65 to give them victory with five overs to spare.

Broadstone were grateful to Paul Triniman (68) and Simon Leadbetter (61) for their score which would have been much smaller if Weymouth had held their catches, putting both men down twice.

Trotter with an inspired opening spell of bowling, 2-20 off ten overs, removed Wilshire and Rogers to leave the visitors 43-2. After Triniman was run out in a mix-up with Leadbetter wickets fell steadily until Simon Goldsack blasted 48 out of the 50 scored off the last five overs.

Ryan was pleased with his side's ability to chase a good score down, but was mindful of the dropped chances. We play leaders Suttoners this week who have only dropped one point so far, so we don't want to be giving Dorset player Darren Cowley too many chances!"

DIVISION TWO

Dorchester 2nd 212-3 beat**Christchurch 211-4 by 7 wickets**

A FINE century opening stand between Colin Edney (67) and Nick Roe (67 not out) was the basis of Dorchester 2nds' exciting seven wicket victory with just 11 balls remaining.

Christchurch had set a tough target on a decent wicket, losing just four wickets in their total of 211, with opening bowlers Stuart Beasley and Justin Miller both returning 1-38 as reward for their efforts.

After Edney departed, run out with the score on 124, Dave Herbert hit a quickfire 28 to keep the momentum going before 16-year-old Lewis Chutter helped Roe to victory.

"We did well to restrict them to 211-4 as it looked at one stage they would get 250," said captain Ian Sibley.

DIVISION THREE

Bridport 119 all out lost to**Martinstown 122-4 by 6 wickets**

BRIDPORT struggling again for players went down to their fifth consecutive defeat against Martinstown who were pleased to bounce back after two defeats themselves.

Having won the toss Nick Quintrell inserted the hosts who were soon in trouble and at 49-5 looked like they would capitulate for a very low score with only Dom Gape (12) getting into double figures.

However a seventh wicket stand of 54 between Luke King (45) and John Altham (21 not out) saw Bridport finally muster 119 all out.

The hosts felt aggrieved by a couple of decisions that went against them; Mark Smith being adjudged leg before and skipper Sam Good being caught behind by a ball that hit his pad.

However Good felt it was a poor batting display by his side, but was full of praise for Altham who he called on at the last minute.

"John is a friend and I called in a favour late on Saturday morning because I was short. He has never played a competitive game in his life before, only messing around in the nets, but he came in and gave it a go, and his stand with Luke made our score more respectable.

"I was also pleased with Luke. He has not had the best of seasons so far, so it was great how he applied himself."

Matt Read and Danny Dancer took three wickets each with Matt Camp and debutant Declan Croft claiming a brace each.

Martinstown did not have it all their own way in reply with Ashley Nicholls (2-28) most potent. He was well backed up by Good (0-12 from 6 overs) and Gape (1-27) and Ashley Parker (1-23) and it took Martinstown 31 overs to reach their target with Dancer leading the way with 43 not out.

Quintrell was pleased with his sides application after two defeats.

"It was imperative that we bowled well and, unlike in recent weeks, got early wickets. Chris (Read) and Danny (Dancer) were excellent, applying pressure from the very first ball and were well backed-up in the field. Our catching and ground fielding were excellent and the energy and effort was significantly better than of late.

"Restricting Bridport to 119, easily represented our best performance in the field this season, although we felt at the 25 over mark that we could have knocked them over for below 100.

"As you would expect Bridport came at us with the ball full of aggression and intent but the lads stood toe-to-toe formed partnerships and ensured that the victory was comfortably achieved."

DIVISION FOUR

Beaminster 2nd 173-7 lost**Child Okeford 177-6 by 4 wickets**

BEAMINSTER were put into bat first for only the second time this season. Again they managed to gain full batting points thanks to a great finish to the innings and ended on 173 for 7.

The main run scorer was Haycum Edgley, who ended undefeated on 67, in his first appearance for the seconds. He was supported well by Alex Atkinson (29) and Stuart Lindsey (19).

With a reasonable target to defend Beaminster knew early wickets would be key. Murray Legg (2 for 47) dismissed both the openers and at 42 for 2 remained right in the game.

Good bowling from Joe Singleton (0 for 19), Adam Herring (1 for 23) and Ian Hutchings (0 for 30) made Child Okeford work hard for their runs.

Beaminster did have the opposition on 104 for 5 but out failed to take their chances and remove Child Okeford's number four bat (79 not out) meant they were able to reach the total for the loss of six wickets and 39.3 overs bowled. The pick of the Beaminster bowlers was Matt Hansford (2 for 32) who was making his first appearance for the club this season.

DIVISION FIVE

Ferndown Wayfarers 3rd 145 all out**lost to Weymouth 3rd 146-6 by 4 wickets**

WEYMOUTH 3rds kept the pressure on leaders Sherborne 2nds with a comprehensive win. Winning the toss Weymouth inserted Wayfarers and with Bill Trevett (4-24) at the forefront assisted by Graham Puckett (2-32) and Tim Guyett (2-42) they bowled their ten-man hosts out for 145.

Good contributions from all the Weymouth batsmen saw them comfortably home with Bill Trevett (24 not out), Craig Johnson (17) and Sean Fitzgerald (17) leading the way.

Skipper Joe Trevett said: "We took a fairly young side which contributed to some good work in the field, and all the batsmen scored some runs."

DIVISION SIX

Abbotsbury 83 all out lost to**Sturminster Marshall 204-8 by 121 runs**

ABBOTSBURY'S run of success came to a spectacular halt when they were beaten by Sturminster Marshall.

They would have been buoyed by having won their last two games, but crashed after restricting their visitors to 204-8 before being bowled out for just 83 runs.

Weymouth Longshots 155-1 beat**Bridport 2nd 151 all out by 9 wickets**

DESPITE a hard hitting 85 from Mark Tozer, and an early wicket in reply, Bridport 2nds suffered a nine wicket defeat at the hands of Weymouth Longshots.

They lost Will Gape (0) and Ed Halson (4) early on but Toby Hall (13) and Tozer steadied the ship, before James Dollman joined Tozer and added 37 for the fourth wicket.

However when Dollman departed for 21, caught at mid-wicket off the spin bowling of Eaton, it was left to Tozer as the other six batsmen contributed just 11 between them.

Tozer who was dropped four times passed 50 with a big six before compiling 14 fours before being caught off England (4-12) in an excellent innings.

Bridport were given hope when Longshots replied with Dan White bowling Hardy with just two on the board. But their joy was short lived. Eaton joined Hardisty and they enjoyed an unbeaten stand of 153 as they won by nine wickets in the 34th over.

Bridport tried seven bowlers, all of whom kept the Weymouth players on their toes but they couldn't find the breakthrough.

Christchurch 2nd 203 all out lost**to Dorchester 3rd 219-9 by 16 runs**

DORCHESTER recorded an excellent but tense 16 run victory over the previously unbeaten league leaders Christchurch on a very batsmen friendly wicket at the Dorset Cricket Centre at Hurn with Sam Roles the star keeping his head at the death and bagging 5-48.

Captain Pete Tucker, after losing every toss this season gave responsibility to vice-captain Tom Cottrell who brought an immediate change of luck.

Tucker elected to bat but soon they lost opener Nick Beer with the score on 18-1. However Cottrell and Mat King then added an incredible 72 runs in only eight overs before King (18) was caught off Thompson.

Cottrell produced an electric 71 in 45 balls in just 16 overs before he became one of four victims of 16-year-old spinner Pete Wedge (4-22).

He hit 12 fours and a six with classic driving and timing his late cuts to perfection before being caught by a blinding effort from a unsuspecting fielder who was unaware the ball was coming his way until his colleagues shouted.

George Thomas (2) fell shortly after, leg before, but George Chubb and Ian Legg stopped the mid order collapse, with a mature and patient batting display before Legg (6) was caught at mid wicket by Mullings off Wedge.

Quinten (6) and Chubb (25) also fell to the off spinner as the Dorchester innings stuttered, but a rapid and valuable partnership of 40 runs between the hard hitting Lloyd Mitchem (21) and the careful Cameran Lucas (20) which pushed the score through the 200 run mark. Ten runs from the last over left Dorchester on 219-9 after their allotted 45 overs.

The Christchurch innings started slowly against the accurate bowling of Mitchem and King and it was the former who struck first removing Langdown (8), but Doust and Chappell showed good determination with Chappell crashing any loose ball to the boundary. However Doust was well caught by Roles at point and Campbell followed shortly afterwards, run out by a direct throw from Tucker.

Thompson and Chappell decided the best form of defence was attack plundering 50 runs from the next seven overs. With the game evenly balanced on 107-3 at the half way stage Tucker bowled the dangerous Chappell (43) and Mullings (0), before 13-year-old spinner Sam Roles bowled Thompson (28) and had Burton (3) caught by Mitchem as Christchurch collapsed to 116-7.

With the game on the verge of petering out, it was Christchurch captain Mike Wedge and son Pete who showed what strength in depth they have in batting and why they had remained unbeaten.

Eleven frantic overs saw 90 runs added to the Christchurch total, as the Wedges added 30 before Pete Wedge (14) was well caught by Tucker, before Mike Wedge, farming the bowling cut loose. A further 60 runs in only seven overs left Christchurch requiring only 25 runs for victory from five overs.

However the young Dorchester team held their nerve and in particular 13-year-old Sam Roles was magnificent, bowling at the death, bowling with such maturity and skill. He had Havey (16) caught by Cottrell then bowled Campbell (3) to leave Christchurch an agonising 16 runs short with seven balls remaining and Mike Wedge frustrated on 47 not out.

Tucker said: "At 116-7 the game looked all but over, but an excellent innings from the Mike Wedge turned the game on its head. If it were not for the fantastic bowling performance from 13-year-old Sam Roles, taking 5-48, the victory would have surely gone to Christchurch.

"A second team appearance must be around the corner for this young man, who is bowling with such maturity and control of someone well in excess of his age.

"Praise must also go to Tom Cottrell whose 71 runs set up the big Dorchester total together with the solid George Chubb who stopped any mid-order collapse and Lloyd Mitchem and Cameran Lucas who pushed the score past the 200 run mark.

"I was so pleased with the young lads and their response when the game looked like going against us."

LONGHAM GARDEN MACHINERY
SUNDAY LEAGUE

DIVISION FOUR

Bournmouth 2nd 228 all out**beat Symene 171 all out by 51 runs**

SYMENE crashed to their third straight defeat at Bournmouth 2nds going down by 51 runs. Symene lost an important toss on a flat track and worked hard to restrict the hosts to 228 all out.

Sam Challis (3-78) claimed opener Smille in his second over and then bowled Iles (24).

However this brought Gudhakke Shiva to the crease and he formed the backbone to the hosts innings with 86 before he was caught and bowled by Liam Toohill.

He had support from Russell (30) and Leafwich (25) as Bournmouth compiled 228 all out. Challis and Graham Bartlett (3-37) were the main wicket takers with Marcus Grunschloss taking (2-54).

Skipper Richard Keech said: "The lads stuck at the task in the field with some admiration, despite some aggressive batting from them. At one stage they were 199-4 from 31 overs; an inspired and nimble piece of fielding from Nigel Toohill produced a run out which turned the innings put the brakes on them."

Symene would have been confident in their run chase, however, but they lost Liam Toohill (0) and Phil Hawkins (6) to some some tight and accurate bowling from the hosts.

Nigel Toohill fell lbw after a quick fire 21 and Challis fell five short of a deserved half century in his efforts to hold the Symene innings together. Despite some useful lower order contributions from Mark Tozer (11), Keith Readings (16) and Keech (36) who was last man out, it was too late for Symene to mount a serious charge to the Bournmouth total. However, in defeat Symene managed to prise ten bonus points from their bowling and batting performances.

READERS MID-WESSEX LEAGUE

DIVISION ONE

Broadwindsor 227-8 beat**Wincanton 107 all out by 120 runs**

BROADWINDSOR followed up their win over reigning champions West Chinook last week, by easily beating current leaders Wincanton.

Chris Park (109) helped himself to a century as he and Joe Hawkins (54) put on a century partnership for the fourth wicket to reach a healthy 227-8 in their allotted 40 overs.

The visitors never got on top of the bowling of Ade Phillips (3-22) and Murray Legg (3-35) as they were dismissed for just 107 all out.

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Dust frustrates local duo

LOCAL rallying duo Rex Ireland and Adrian Scadding were frustrated in the latest round of the MSA British Rally Championship, which took place in mid-Wales over the weekend, by the dust thrown up by other competitors.

Competing in the Rally Marketing Mid Wales Historic Stages at Newtown - the fourth round of six - the pair scored a brilliant sixth overall, and second in their class (C2).

However co-driver Scadding said: "It was very frustrating. We were flying but because of the

dust caused by the dry weather it was impossible to get by slower cars. On at least three stages we caught the car in front but because of the dust they could not see us to let us pass.

"It was worse than driving in fog. If you got closer than 20 yards you could not see where you were going - very frustrating."

Having finished well in the first round, the couple crashed out at the next at Carlisle Racecourse, and with not enough time to get the car ready for the third event, effectively put themselves out the

running for the overall championship.

However with the car in superb order, they excelled on the mid-Wales course. The first stage had to be abandoned when the current overall leaders David Stokes and Guy Weaver crashed near the end necessitating the air ambulance to attend.

Going off at one minute intervals, Ireland and Scadding made up time on the other five stages to finish in a very creditable 1:08:15, just four and a half minutes behind the winners.

BOB BUCKLER RACING

CULLAHILL has been entered for the English Summer National at Uttoxeter this Sunday following his third place run at Worcester last week in the Leukaemia Care Novices' Chase over two and a half miles.

The race was his third over fences and following his first and second finishes in his other two both over two miles 7 furlongs qualifies him for the listed race run over three and a half miles.

Despite the shorter distance Cullahill put in a spirited performance but could not match the speed of The Jigsaw Man, the 7/10fav ridden by AP McCoy.

Mrs Overall, who likes firm ground and was un-

lucky at Newton Abbot last time out when rain turned the heavily watered track to good/soft

at the last minute, also hopes to run on the same card in the slightly shorter two-and-three-

quarters-of-a-mile Novices' Handicap Hurdle, although she might be balloted out.

UPLYME CRICKET

FRANCIS CLARKE DEVON CRICKET LEAGUE

1st XI D DIVISION Uplyme 1st XI v Lewdown

THE first team came down from last week's impressive win with a jolt as they succumbed to league leaders Lewdown by eight wickets.

A strong bowling attack by Lewdown's R. Mutch (30-6) and K. Harris (47-3) saw the home side - playing at Chardstock - bowled out for just 88 runs.

Captain Ashley Caddy's stand of 35 not out was the only highlight of a nightmare innings which saw four batsmen go for a duck and four others fail to make double figures as Uplyme picked up just one point from the fixture.

And with a small run chase, the bowlers had their work cut out, with Steve Batey (16-2) taking both the league leaders wickets as Uplyme slid to defeat.

WITH PAUL CROMPTON

2ND XI C DIVISION

Uplyme 2nd XI v Marlborough

IN WHAT was one of the best performances this year, Uplyme was blighted in the field after circumstances forced them to once again travel with only ten men.

Choosing to bat first on an astro turf wicket the away side saw a good opening performance from Henry Perry (26) and third batsman Mark Brimicombe take advantage of the small ground to put on a good partnership.

A quick 53 by big hitting Dave Norman set up a closely fought match as the visitors knocked their highest score this season of 208 for 7. Things looked hopeful as M. Brimicombe caught the homeside's opening batsman off the innings first delivery by Michael Holding (50-2).

Olly Borgeat (50-3) also shined on a flat wicket, but some good front order batting from the home side saw Uplyme lose by four wickets.

LYME REGIS BOWLS

WITH PAUL MOFFITT

TOP WEEK FOR LYME BOWLERS

THIS has been a good week for the Lyme players playing in their respective leagues.

The only disappointment was from the men's 'A' team who only managed to secure two points away at Portland Victoria.

The Championship side took nine points from Greenhill on their own turf, no mean feat. The 'B' team took all ten points on offer at home to Greenhill 'C'.

The Ladies whitewashed their opponents from Broadstone in Division Two of the Dorset league, and the Edna Paisley side took all six points from Greenhill.

In the Percy Baker all the Lyme teams did well, W2 & W5 taking the maximum.

Next week is the club's annual tournament with a full programme of bowling from Saturday 19th to Friday, June 25th.

The club would welcome any visitors who would like to come and watch this weeklong spectacle.

RESULTS

Dorset Mens' Championship: Lyme 49 Greenhill 38 - J Eaton, S Pomeroy, B Rattenbury, P Pomeroy 17-11; B Gillett, K Hickman, C Barber, P Moffitt 14-14; D Meylan, R Richardson, G Stockley, P Eagles 18-13.

West Dorset Men, Division One: Lyme 'A' 48 Portland Victoria 61 - M Clark, J Beadsley, T Allman, J Wells 13-18; M Thorner, G Clode, J Irwin, D Perry 7-27; M Knight, P Stephens, D Pomeroy, B Parsons 28-16.

West Dorset Men, Division Two: Lyme 'B' 64 Greenhill 'C' 39 - R Cridge, H Keep, W Smith, J Belger 21-13; C Bell, J Moseley, R Moody, G Cozens 19-11; B Downes, D Wood, R Winterborne, E Skeemer 24-15.

Dorset Ladies, Division Two: Lyme 74 Broadstone 39 - J Moffitt, M Gillett, J Parsons, K Clissold 27-13; H Dowling, D Courtenay-Smith, N Stephens, C Barber

28-11; P Cole, J Perry, J Kesterton, A Allman 19-15.

Percy Baker: Lyme W2 41 Sherborne 28 - M Clark, J Irwin, D Meylan 23-14; R Edwards, R Richardson, P Moffitt 18-14. Lyme W3 31 Portland Vic 29 - G Broom, H Keep, E Skeemer 25-10; R Turpin, P Stephens, W Smith 6-19. Lyme W5 38 Sherborne 31 - K Gardiner, J Moseley, B Gillett 18-15; J Andrews, B Downes, G Cozens 20-16.

Edna Paisley: Lyme 33 Greenhill 27 - Y Moody, K Smith, T Poyner 16-12; J Beavis, J York, M Wheeler 17-15.

Friendly: Lyme 112 South Petherton 81 - P Cole, J Moffitt, W Burton, R Edwards 28-14; T Coldrick, K Gardiner, T Poyner, C Clissold 17-21; C Bell, Jill Wells, R Winterborne, K Clissold 12-19; A Lole, H Dowling, R Moody, P Moffitt 36-11; Y Moody, R Hobbs, J Irwin, B Parsons 19-16.

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Will receives player of the year accolade

UP and coming footballer Will Gape, pictured right, has won the Weymouth Under 16s Player of the Year trophy

He has also played regularly for Dorset Under 16s over the past season and will now be moving on to play for Weymouth Under 18s.

Will attends the Sir John Colfox School in Bridport.

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Lyme Regis Golf

WITH ELLIE LANGFORD

LADIES SECTION

Par Cup

CONDITIONS couldn't be better for the annual Par Cup. The competition was keenly contested with Hannah Jacobsen becoming the clear winner with a +4.

All her hours of practice are paying off as she cuts her handi-

cap yet again; she now plays off 29. Taking second place on count back was Diane Smith with +2 from Susan Moore also +2 in third place.

The Interclub team played away at Canford Magners but were plagued by injury with two of their players unable to complete

the course. In spite of that they managed to win three out of the four matches.

Dorset Ladies won the SW County Match week at Saltford last week. Sophie Keach of Lyme Regis was a member of the winning team who now go on to play in the National Finals.

Bridport Table Skittles League

THIS year's Bridport Table Skittles season is over, with the final results being as follows:

Division A: Winners - Jesters; Runners-up - Second-hand Clock; Beer Cup - Jesters.

Division B: Winners - Kens Prix; Runners-up - Baggies Boys; Beer Cup - Crown Spares.

Division C: Winners - Tanners A; Runners-up - Belends; Beer Cup - Kings of Hazards.

Overall Beer Cup: Shared between Jesters and Tanners A.

Winter Cup: Winners - Jesters; Runners-up - Eye Of The Tiger.

Jean Berry: Winners - Five of Clubs; Runners-up - Tanners A.

Team Nominations: Winners - Chilliheads; Runners-up - Jesters.

Trebles: Winners - A McDonnell, N Venables M

Farmer; Runners-up - B Ackerman, M Lewis, P Young.

Pairs: Winners - M Dare, A House; Runners-up - R Mosely, N Chilcott.

Mens Individuals: Winner - A House; Runner-up - D Burt.

Ladies Individuals: Winner - H Robinson; Runner-up - H Scaddings.

Supreme Champion: A House.

Individual Nominations: Winner - A House; Runner-up - K Graham.

Mixed Fours: Winners - B & K Ackerman, R Lewis, P Young; Runners-up - C & A House, R & G Matterface.

Mixed Pairs: Winners - G Matterface, M Dare; Runners-up - R & M Lewis.

Over 19 Cup: D Tuck - Woodman.

27 Badges: L Rawles, Tiger; B Rendell, BSC; A Baker, King Charles Tavern.



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INSIDE: Comprehensive local sports news round-up

Wildcats tamed by Scunthorpe Saints

Scunthorpe Saints 52 Weymouth Wildcats 38

WEYMOUTH Wildcats stayed rooted to the bottom of the National League with just one point from eight matches 52-38 defeat at Scunthorpe last Sunday.

Despite former Scunthorpe rider James Cockle scoring 10+1 and recent capture Scunthorpe asset Luke Chessell, who is on loan to the south coast club, scoring an impressive 14 from seven rides including three heat wins, they could not contain their hosts.

Adam Irving, Gary Compton and Benji Wrathall all scored 10+1 each with solid midpoints returns from the remaining Saints.

The Wildcats came unstuck between heats 7 to 10, when the Saints took the score from 22-14 to 42-18 with four 5-1's. Wildcats tactical rides failed to bring any

much needed points, and although two 4-2's and two 5-1's at the end of the meeting reduced the deficit to fourteen points, the Saints had put in the hard

work earlier in the meeting to win easily.

Another Scunthorpe asset riding for the Wildcats, Byron Bekker who was re-

turning from injury, had a torrid time managing just two points from four starts which included a tapes infringement in heat 11.

Potential stars light up Weymouth raceway

POTENTIAL superstars of the future were on view at the Wessex FM Raceway on Saturday when the Weymouth club hosted the second round of the British Under 15 Championships.

The crowd were treated to some exciting racing in the three classes, whilst

Elite league star rider Eddie Kennett was on hand pit side to offer advice for the youngsters before helping to present the winners' trophies.

In the 500cc championship class Brandon Freemantle was unstoppable, racing to overall victory unbeaten all

evening.

Adam Kirby was solid all night finishing second with Adam Portwood coming home third.

The fastest time of the night was set by Freemantle, who by his victory maintained his lead in the championship.

His final heat time of

54.3 seconds is just comparable to recent heat winning times at the Wessex FM Raceway.

The 250cc championship leader Robert Lambert maintained his advantage by winning his class on the night despite a fall in his second race, edging out Nathan Stone-

man who himself took a tumble in his first race.

Local youngster Lee Cutler looked impressive throughout the meeting suffering a retirement after a fall in his first ride, to finish third on the podium.

Kieran Vaughan romped away in the 125cc support

class, dropping just one point all evening to Wildcats mascot Anders Rowe in the first heat of the class, who finished second.

Tom Brennen was great entertainment never giving up round the outside and took the third rostrum place.

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